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CHINESE REACH GATES OF YIHSIEN

SWIFT GAINS ON LONG WAR FRONT

Ancheng Taken After Repeated Assaults

Taierschwang, Apr. 14.
Chinese forces are pounding at the city gates of Yihsien.

After a series of determined assaults, the Chinese further tightened their grip around the beleaguered town and reached its immediate suburbs yesterday. Many isolated Japanese units are meanwhile still surrounded at points outside the town and are exposed to constant Chinese infantry onslaughts and intensive artillery fire.

Narrowing down the enemy's lines, the Chinese occupied several more strategic points in the suburbs yesterday. These include Yunganchwang, north-west of Yihsien, Ngohutsai, Pailitun, Laohushan, Tsingtan, Changchwang, Sunchwang, Luchwang and Kanchwang, all in the immediate neighbourhood of the city.

The most important point recovered by the Chinese forces, however, was Ancheng, south-east of Yihsien. Three columns of Chinese troops under the veteran General Tung En-pu launched general assault on the night of April 12. Fierce fighting broke out in the eastern suburbs. Two hundred Japanese soldiers were slain in action. Steadily closing in, the Chinese finally drove away the Japanese and recaptured the town next morning.

It is reported that the Japanese troops inside Yihsien are preparing to flee and the fast dwindling of their food and the fast dwindling of their provisions and ammunition. Planes are used to transport military supplies to them, but only a limited amount can be sent daily.

Owing to the unfavourable weather conditions, and strenuous fighting, many Japanese soldiers are said to have fallen sick.

A Japanese unit stole out of the city under cover of darkness on the night of April 12, fleeing eastward. It was immediately discovered and surrounded by the Chinese forces. In the ensuing engagement the majority was annihilated and the rest dispersed.—Central News.

Close To Yihsien

Hankow, April 14.
Following orders for an assault on Yihsien, the Chinese vanguard on the Tientsin-Pukow railway front yesterday morning had reached a point

NO "TELEGRAPH" TO-MORROW

There will be no issue of the Hongkong Telegraph to-morrow, Good Friday.
The Saturday edition will appear as usual.

only four kilometres west of their chief objective. About 2,000 Japanese troops at Kuolich, to the north of Yihsien marched north-east in the direction of Hsianchen to support the Japanese in that area at present engaged around Shukou.

Meanwhile, a message from Hsichow states that Shuangshan has been occupied by Chinese forces who are encircling Yihsien. Severe fighting is still proceeding.

Chinese columns from Tenghsien have taken Tsoehwan and Chitsun, north of Tsoachwang, forcing the Japanese to retreat north-eastward.

Information reaching Hankow, allegedly from Japanese sources, states General Isogami has been killed or wounded in action.

A Chinese communique states 60 Japanese planes twice attempted to raid Hankow yesterday afternoon but failed to reach the city owing to bad weather conditions.—Reuter.

No Word From Shantung

Peiping, Apr. 14.
Official sources learn that the Provisional Government had not received any word from Shantung.

Insurgents Still Checked at Tortosa

SENATE BACKS DALADIER

Free Hand For Next Six Weeks

Unanimous Support

Paris, Apr. 13.

The Senate approved M. Daladier's Finance Bill by 288 votes to 1.

The official return of the Senate division was 290 to 0, and was therefore unanimous. A Radical was originally given as the only "No" voter, but later he was included among the "Ayes".

The Chamber and Senate have now gone into Easter recess giving M. Daladier a free hand for the next six weeks.—Reuter.

Shots Fired At Danish Minister Found "Blanks"

Copenhagen, Apr. 13.

It is learned that the shots which were fired at the Minister of Justice in the House of Parliament were blank cartridges.

When the Minister of Justice was making a speech in the Lower House, it is understood that a Nazi youth, sitting in the Visitors' Gallery, rose and fired two shots at the Minister without effect.

Later the police arrested a number of youths, including the suspected "assassin".—Reuter Bulletin.

ROOSEVELT DEFENDS TAX BILLS

Demands Senate Be Over-Ridden

Washington, April 13.

Urging retention of the principle of the undistributed profits tax, which the Senate eliminated, and the removal of the Senate's modification of the capital gains tax, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, in a letter to Senator Pat Harrison and Representative Robert L. Doughton, Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation, said:

"Modifications are shown by experience to be desirable, and particularly exemption of small corporations should be made. The principle of the undistributed profits tax, is sound and should be retained."

Senator Harrison said: "The President is entitled to his views. The views expressed in this letter do not coincide with the overwhelming sentiment of the Senate."

President Roosevelt applauded the House of Representatives' provisions for the undistributed profits tax, saying: "Business will be helped, not hurt, by these suggestions."—United Press.

"PUMP-PRIMING" IN U.S.

Washington, Apr. 13.
After a conference with his economic advisers, President F. D. Roosevelt, it is understood, decided on "pump-priming", including a vote of \$1,500,000,000 for public work, and \$1,250,000,000 for relief work for the first seven months of the next fiscal year.

On the other hand, there is \$1,500,000,000 for "R.C.C." (Roosevelt Civilian Conservation Corps) camps, and also for relief appropriations. (Continued on Page 7.)

CUSTOMS STATION BOMBED



Only 25 miles from Macao, the Port Customs Station at Chung Shan, Chinese Territory, was severely bombed by Japanese planes on April 3. This is the first illustration of the damage, which wrecked the buildings. Note bomb hole in roof.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

RENTS COMMISSION INQUIRY CRITICISED

To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—The findings of the Rents Commission are now available to the public; they can be subject of fair and impartial criticism.

From the first, His Excellency the Governor showed personal concern with this perplexing housing problem. He revealed a solicitude for the public weal that has earned recognition and gratitude. It is surmised that a careful consideration of the various issues that had engaged His Excellency's attention led to the conclusion that "there was evidence that rents had risen and were rising and that tenants in certain cases were put into difficulty, not to say hardship." That much could be gathered from his statement in Council. "On that account," continued the Governor, "closer and more systematic investigation of the facts in relation to all relevant circumstances was necessary before such a far-reaching measure could properly be presented to the Council."

In the first place let it be noted that the fundamental grievance of the existence of hardship had been established to His Excellency's satisfaction, hence the appointment of the Commission.

The "far-reaching measure" Sir Geoffrey Northcote had in mind was the advocacy he had received from various quarters "that legislation should be passed at once which would give greater protection to the holders of existing tenancies than that which common law and local statutes now provide and, conversely, would restrict the existing rights and powers of landlords."

To complete the necessary background for an appreciation of these criticisms of the Commission's findings and so that no prejudice can be attributed to them, it must be remembered that the Commission's terms of reference included the wish for information in respect of the prevalent changes for rent in the towns of Victoria and Kowloon, having regard to their rise and fall during the last ten years, and the extent to which and the manner in which tenants and landlords have been and are being affected by the sudden growth of the population of Hong Kong. (Continued on Page 7.)

LOYALISTS REPORT SUCCESSES DURING LERIDA OPERATION

Franco's Armies Trying To Sever Communication Between Key Centres

London, Apr. 13.

The Insurgent advance towards the east coast of the Mediterranean is at present slowed down by the strong Government resistance along the Insurgents' original line of advance near Tortosa, which the Loyalists are still vigorously defending.

A Loyalist communique from Barcelona states that their troops are meeting with success near Lerida, where the Government forces are staging counter-attacks.

The Insurgents are now attempting to break through to the Mediterranean coast further north of Tortosa. Should they succeed that will be able to cut the line of communications between Barcelona and Valencia.—Reuter Bulletin.

12 Miles From The Coast

Hendaye, Apr. 13.

Renewing their drive to isolate Barcelona, the Insurgents reached a point to-day 12 miles from the sea near San Mateo, south of Tortosa, despite strong resistance by the Loyalists.

It was announced that they occupied the towns of Cal and Chert, within two miles of San Mateo, advancing on a 10-mile front.

In the north the Insurgents claimed to have stopped a strong Loyalist offensive in the Balaguer sector.—United Press.

Anglo-Italian Treaty Ready To Be Signed

London, Apr. 13.

It is reliably stated that Britain and Italy will sign an agreement in Rome on Saturday, but formal signature to give effect to the agreement must await the withdrawal of Italian troops from Spain and the recognition of Ethiopia.

Mr. Leslie Hore Bell, War Minister, confers with Signor Benito Mussolini on April 23, after which he will hold a conference in Paris.—United Press.

FIRE NEAR JAPANESE MAGAZINE

Shanghai, Apr. 14.

A huge, mysterious blaze broke out shortly after 4 p.m. yesterday in an open yard containing horse fodder, which was next to a munitions warehouse on the O.S.K. wharf, the most important point for the import of Japanese war supplies in Shanghai.

The fire, the origin of which is not yet ascertained, spread over a distance of 400 square feet, destroying large quantities of straw and charcoal, and it was only got under control after hours of strenuous fighting by Chinese and Settlement firemen, who prevented it from reaching the adjoining magazine.

Foreign sources state that several shots previous to the outbreak were heard, but this remains unconfirmed. During the day the wharf was swarming with Chinese volunteers, who were being used for unloading supplies.

Last night the area was blocked off and no foreigners were allowed near it.—Reuter.

Fighting has broken out at Menghsien, Tsiyuan and Pinglu on the northern bank of the Yellow River in north Honan.—Central News.

STOP PRESS

Hankow, April 14.

Taking advantage of the depletion of large units of Japanese troops to the Tientsin-Pukow Railway front, the Chinese military command has ordered a general counter-offensive on the Peiping-Hankow Railway front.

Further Stop Press News on Page 12.)

Reviewing War Claims Procedure

Britain May Advise Presentation Immediately

London, Apr. 13.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, speaking in the House of Commons to-day, said that he was at present reviewing the whole question of procedure to be followed with regard to war claims filed with consular officers in China. If it appeared that an immediate presentation was in the best interests of the claimants themselves, and generally feasible, he would be willing to give instructions for the adoption of this procedure.

The reply was given to Sir J. S. Wardlaw-Milne, Conservative, who had asked whether any claims for compensation for damage to British property in Shanghai, other than those already reported to the House of Commons, had been presented to the Japanese Government, and if not, when was it proposed to present them.

He also asked whether such steps would be taken without further delay seeing that the war had moved away from Shanghai, and of the serious suffering inflicted upon innocent Britons.

In a supplementary question, he asked that particular attention be paid to the claims for damage to British property in view of the invasion of the International Settlement.

Mr. Butler said he would certainly consider all these matters.—Reuter.

NO TOMBOLA TO-MORROW

There will not be any tombola in the Garrison Lecture Hall on Good Friday, to-morrow, it is announced.

A FURTHER SURVEY OF THE PARIS DRESS DISPLAYS

TOWN AND COUNTRY COATS: TAILORED SUITS: SPECTATOR SPORTS CLOTHES: KNITWEAR FOR DAY AND EVENING

By JANE GORDON, "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" Fashion Expert

THE gowns sketched show how varied are the new models for evening wear. Differing though the lines may be, they are always decorative, arresting and becoming. The gown that exemplifies the off-the-shoulder movement is in chiffon striped in cyclamen and tan over a taffeta underdress.



IMAGINE yourself in Paris.

The hour is 10.30 a.m. and there is a hint of Spring in the air. You are setting out to see the new fashions and you have several dress shows ahead of you.

Walking down the Faubourg Saint-Honore, you stop to look at little Cotyphane mules with gold soles and heels displayed in the window of a shoe shop, and a little further down the street you turn into O'Rossens', the house for tailored suits and coats.

Here you see some beautifully tailored top coats. One is a heavy beige and brown checked whipcord, double-breasted and hanging straight from the shoulders at the back. A country coat in brown and beige check, cut in raglan shape, has pinched-up pleats at the back. A kasha coat has a Pet Pan collar and cuffs in beaver, one pleated down the back, and it is belted in brown leather. Covert cutting reversed with check is used for a good-looking severely tailored coat. A suit in platinum flannel has the jacket belted at the back and double-breasted in front. It has silver buttons, and is worn with a plain skirt.

A light-weight grey tweed has a belted jacket cut with a back yoke, which is braided. A fine cloth suit in palest grey has the skirt made with pressed pleats at the back.

TROUSER CREASE

A navy-blue suit with a white up stripe has a skirt creased like a man's trousers down the front, and a longish double-breasted jacket cut like a man's.

A green-blue flannel suit with a white chalk stripe has the skirt held up with braces of the same material, and a beige suit also has braces. One of the smartest suits has a grey and white pin stripe skirt, worn with a dark grey blazer jacket, double-breasted and fastened with silver buttons.

Almost opposite is the little house of Perrine's. Here you see some

good spectator type of sports clothes. One of the best has a pinky-beige woolen dress and cardigan bordered with bands of quilting. A navy-blue crepe dress has two bands of white fagoting down the front.

A pale blue woolen dress, draped over the hips, has butterfly bows of brown leather, and a pale blue heavy linen frock is cut out in square window sections at the yoke and has a loose jacket.

Anny Blatt is showing her new collection of knitted models in the same street. Make a note of the suit with the navy-blue jacket of classic cut and the white ribbed and pleated skirt, as well as the navy-blue skirt knitted with groups of small pleats down the front and worn with a white ribbed jacket of cotton yarn.

CIRCLE EMBROIDERIES

A kasha suit has the jacket embroidered with circles of red and black silk. Navy and white pin belted at the back and double-breasted in front. It has silver buttons, and is worn with a plain skirt.

From Anny Blatt's you step into a taxi and are whisked off to see the knitted collection shown by Aileen Rice. There is a particularly good long black town coat, double-breasted and fastened with shell buttons.

A sea-green evening dress has long sleeves and a high neck, with a dark green yoke at the front and a slit at the back of the bodice.

JABOT OF FOULARD

A black knitted suit has a jabot of black foulard patterned with white horseshoes, and a navy knitted skirt is shown with a navy and white striped cardigan and a white jumper.

SCARLET jersey silk makes the high-necked tunic of this gown; the satin skirt is printed in scarlet, green, grey and black.

A brown skirt, made to wrap over, has a cardigan striped in beige, brown and red, worn over a beige jumper. A white evening dress has the bodice slit at the back and is belted with gold kid studded with jewels. This dress is worn with a white bolero.

After luncheon you find yourself at Ardennes. The most interesting models here include a golden-brown light-weight wool dress, plainly tailored and belted, with a very long green chiffon handkerchief tucked into a single breast pocket and hanging down below the waist.

The straight jacket is of checked wool with golden-brown patch pocket. A blue dress with short sleeves has pipped up tucks across the front of the bodice with loops of string forming two rounded pockets. A black tulle dancet frock has the whole of the top of the bodice in flesh-coloured net, and a black tulle dress has the long tightly-fitting bodice of black lace insertion.

THE LINEN SHIRT

The last dress show of the day is at Le Roy's, where your attention is caught by a little suit which has a pinky-brown high-waisted skirt, worn with a beige-coloured linen short-waisted skirt under the beige checked jacket of fine face-cloth. A ginger-colored light-weight woolen frock is worn with a bolero with crossed red fox.

A tightly-fitting beige-coloured suit is topped by a dark brown felt poke bonnet. A dress of golden-yellow wool has a tippet of two baby cross foxes.

White cloth is used for a good-looking tailored coat worn with a wine and white spotted foulard dress, and some of the jackets and long coats have collars of looped fox fur.

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EASTER EGGS

WHAT are your plans for the children this Easter? You will note the word "plans," for I do not hint at lavish expenditure. A little planning, and everyone gets their fun out of it.

In various parts of the country there are different ways of celebrating Easter with eggs.

Up north, I remember as a child, they used to hold "Pace Egg" meetings. The eggs were hard-boiled and dyed bright colours, red, purple, blue or coffee brown, for the children to take in their parties and roll down a grassy slope—a sort of Egg Derby. They also played a "Knock-knock" game, with the eggs end to end, to see which cracked first. Simple, but good fun for children.

YOU can even begin at breakfast by playing tricks with hard-boiled eggs, either dyeing them in patterns, or making indelible funny faces with Indian ink before you cook them, leaving the touching-up of the cheeks with cochineal until afterwards.

A frilled or cockade paper, hat tied on afterwards can look absurdly funny when it is perched on the

egg-cup, especially if you add a necktie in narrow ribbon.

Eggs can be dyed whilst they are boiling by using simple vegetable colourings, and if you add the child's initials there will be great delight I am sure.

Surprise sweet packages form part of the children's day, too.

With bulbs springing up everywhere, an imitation pot of flowers can be fashioned from the blabest size of cream carton, and savings of coloured tinfoil, tissue paper, and transparent sweet wrappings. Bright coloured dragees, lentilles and small sugared and burnt almonds are most successful, especially red, pale green, lemon or orange sweets.

Cover the outside of the carton with bright gold or silver foil, and secure with a touch of gum, and fold in the edges firmly. Fill up inside with sweet in two or more colours, and gather the whole into a square of pale green tissue.

Twist up two or three of the brightest sweets in transparent wrapping, reversing the "stalks" into the bunched green ends. If these are tied in firmly with the outer green wrapping the ends stand up crisply, making leaves to support the flowers.

LUNCH and tea must be planned, too. This cold sweet will create amusement, if you can remember to hoard a few egg shells in readiness.



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Raided Socialites From Crime Factory

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COURT OUTBURST BY WIFE

A "CRIME FACTORY" where special tools were forged for breaking into homes and safes was uncovered by the police when they visited a garage in Crownhill Road, Harlesden, N.W.

This was revealed when 30-year-old Jack Barr, "an active housebreaker," and George Arthur Coates, aged 27, an ingenious toolmaker, were sentenced at Middlesex Sessions to five, and three years' penal servitude respectively.

They pleaded guilty to a number of charges of stealing and receiving, including jewellery belonging to the Marchioness of Headfort, and watches from the house of Brig.-General Hon. Charles Willoughby.

No evidence was offered on charges of receiving against Coates's 19-year-old wife, Betty, and she was discharged, writes Arthur Tietjen in the Daily Mail.

FORGE AND BLOW-LAMPS

Lewis Abraham, aged 70, pleaded guilty to receiving the property of the Marchioness of Headfort and was bound over.

Barr and Coates both made a special study of their crimes before carrying them out. First they would read the social news columns, which gave them the necessary details as to when society people were leaving their houses or returning.

Then they would manufacture the implements for the person who was to "do the job." Both being engineers, they found this a simple task. In their crime factory were found skeleton keys and part of a machine for cutting circular discs out of steel.

The police also discovered a forge, which was used to melt down articles, and blow-lamp apparatus. In the overcoat pockets of both men were found two rubber syringes filled with neat ammonia.

AMMONIA BULBS

In the words of Detective Inspector Greeno, "Barr is regarded as a most active housebreaker, effecting entrance to premises by climbing up drain pipes and entering any open windows. He is believed to be a very vicious person, and the rubber bulbs traced to him and Coates we believe would have been used in an effort to escape had any one tried to stop them."

Their appearance in the dock was brought about by their friendship with Mr. Thomas Watt, an ex-prison officer at Chelmsford Prison, where Barr was once interned.

Watt became tubercular and left the service, and when in the sanatorium he was visited by both men. Later he visited Barr and Coates and found them in their tool factory. Realising the significance of their work he went to the police, and subsequently acted under police instructions.

"BETRAYED ME"

From the dock Barr said: "Watt came to me without a penny. I kept him and clothed him. When he stood in the box and betrayed me the clothes he was wearing I bought for him. That is how he paid me back. Watt has turned round and bitten the hand that fed him."

Coates is a sick man, and had to undergo special treatment while on



JOHN ANTHONY, the 18-months old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Joyce, of the Prison Department, Stanley.—Ming Yuen.

Son May Unite Carol And Estranged Queen

A RECONCILIATION between King Carol and his former wife, Princess Helen, may be the outcome of the Rumanian monarch's State visit to London.

Unknown to either his parents, their 16-years-old son, Crown Prince Michael, has devoted himself to the cause of bringing his parents together.

Under the terms of the divorce, secured in 1923 by Princess Helen, while Carol, then Crown Prince, was in exile, Prince Michael spends part of each year with his mother, usually at her villa in Florence.

Recently it was officially stated that Prince Michael will accompany his father to London.

"FIRST STEPS"

Reports from Vienna indicated that King Carol had already taken first steps towards a reunion with the Princess by giving certain instructions to his Chancellor and old friend, M. Micescu.

At the Rumanian Legation, however, it was stated that these reports were premature.

An official stated: "It is possible, however, that when the King visits London later this month efforts may be made by his relatives to bring about a reconciliation."

It is significant that it was announced from Bucharest that, contrary to expectation, it was likely that Prince Michael would accompany his father to London.

PALACE BANQUET

King Carol and his son will stay at Buckingham Palace as the guests of the King until March 25.

They will be met at Folkestone by the Duke of Gloucester, and at Victoria by the King, before driving in State to the Palace.

On the day of their arrival there will be a State banquet at Buckingham Palace.

Siamese Beauty Queen To Wed

Bangkok, Apr. 1.

Nangsao Vani Loohaklart, Miss Slam of 1935, has announced her engagement to Nai Bah Somprasong, a physician at the Vajira Hospital. She will be the first Siamese beauty queen to marry.

Khunying Bahol, wife of the premier of Siam, acted as intermediary at the customary engagement ceremony.

OLDEST CAPTIVE LION DEAD

Trivandrum, India.

After living for nearly 30 years, which is almost a record for a lion in captivity, Bobby, the matriarch of the Zoological Gardens here, has died. She was the mother of all the lions in the zoo.

remand. When he was sentenced, his wife, sitting next to him, clung to him and wept.

She then burst out, "You have sent my husband away for three years, and he had medical evidence that it will ruin his health. I have a four-months-old baby. He will be a physical wreck when he comes out."

It was explained to her that her husband would receive treatment in prison.

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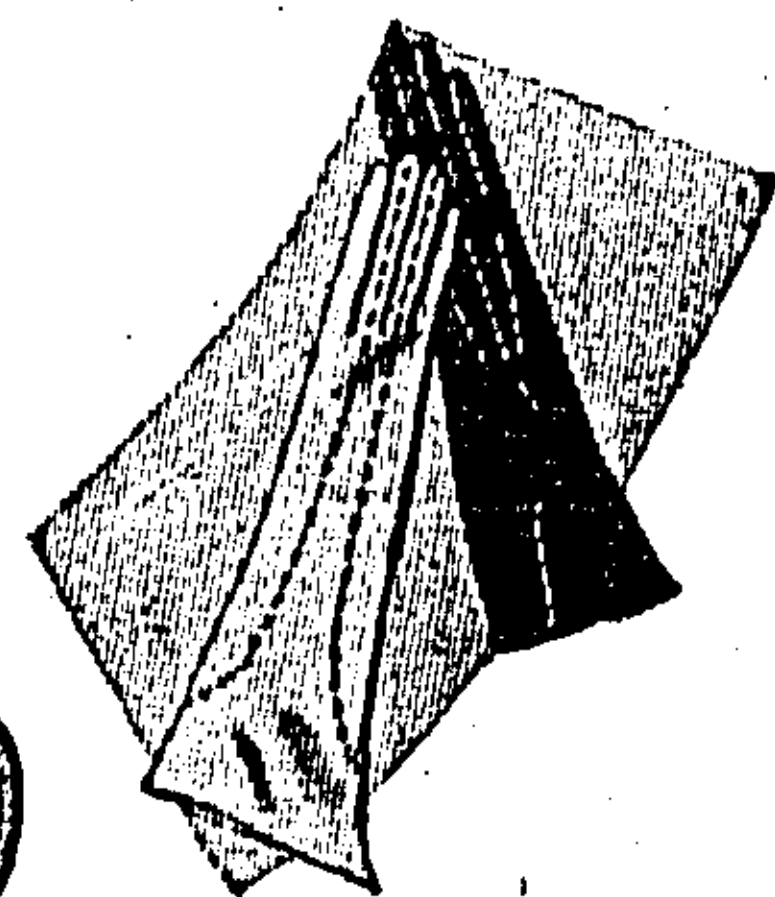
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NEW YORK STOCK
EXCHANGESWAN, CULBERTSON &
FRITZ LATEST REPORTS

New York, April 13.
S. C. & F. Dow Jones summary of yesterday's markets:

The fact that the Atchafalaya Railway has deferred interest adjustment on its 4% bonds is regarded as a discouraging factor, but some selective buying was noticed on the Street. Westinghouse Electric have reported a profit for the first quarter, while other bright features included the improvement in the French situation, a decline in gasoline stocks and indications that some lines of business are being accelerated. Unfavourable features were the President's opposition to the Senate tax revisions, the poor prospects for steel, the critical immediate future in the railway situation and the fact that Easter trade is nearly 10% below that of last year.

S. C. & F. New York correspondent cables:
Stocks: The action of the market continues to be good, although cautiousness is in evidence pending the President's message on Thursday next.

Cotton: The market to-day was quiet, awaiting developments at Washington with regard to the proposed Government spending plan. Further mill curtailment is reported. The textile markets are quiet and inactive.

Wheat: The market is quiet and steady. There have been further reports of dust and dry weather from the North-West. Italy and France are expected to be early buyers.

Corn: Prices are steady and conditions are unchanged.
Rubber: The market is firm and sellers are cautious due to the continued tightness on the shipment markets.

Sugar: The market is quiet and prices are firm.
Dow Jones Average:

	April 12.	Close
30 Industrials	113.88	114.05
20 Rails	22.40	21.81
20 Utilities	17.82	17.64
40 Bonds	85.31	84.95
11 Commodity Index	49.38	49.51

EAGLE AND DIANA RETURN

H.M.S. Eagle, accompanied by H.M.S. Diana, arrived in harbour this morning after being absent from the Colony for over two months on a southern cruise.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BANK HOLIDAYS

In accordance with Government Ordinance, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Friday, Saturday and Monday, the 15th, 16th, and 18th April, 1938.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1938.

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The Summer Term will open on April 19th.

There will be an examination for new students on April 16th at 9 a.m.

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THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LTD.
Notice to Shareholders.

The Fifty-Seventh Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 6th May, 1938, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1937.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 22nd April to the 6th May, 1938, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 13th April, 1938.

U.S. COMMODITY
PRICESLATEST CABLED
QUOTATIONS

	New York, Apr. 13.	New York Cotton
	Opening	Closing
May	8.72/72	8.85/85
July	8.77/79	8.71/71
Oct.	8.88/87	8.80/81
Dec.	8.89/89	8.83/83
Jan. (1939)	8.91/91	8.85/85

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 19th day of April, 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Prince Edward Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in sq. feet	Actual Rental	Upper Price
1	4005	Kowloon Island	N. 100' E. 100' S. 100' W. 100'	25,000	\$276	\$18,000
2	4006	Adjoining Kowloon Island	N. 100' E. 100' S. 100' W. 100'	25,000	\$276	\$18,000
3	4007	Adjoining Kowloon Island	N. 100' E. 100' S. 100' W. 100'	25,000	\$276	\$18,000

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Mar. (1939) .. 8.97/97 8.90/90
Spot .. 8.71/71
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New York Rubber
May .. 12.20/21 12.29/29
July .. 12.40/44 12.46/46
Sept. .. 12.55/54 12.53/53
Dec. .. 12.67/64 12.62/64
Mar. .. 12.98/13.00n

Sales for the day:—2,060 tons.
Chicago Wheat
May .. 83 1/4/83 1/2 82 3/4/82 1/2
July .. 80 1/4/80 1/2 79 1/2/80
Sept. .. 80 1/2/80 1/2 79 1/2/80 1/2

Tuesday's Sales:—
22,504,000 bushels
Chicago Corn
May .. 00 1/4/00 1/4 59 1/4/60
July .. 01 3/4/01 1/4 61 1/4/61
Sept. .. 01 3/4/01 1/4 62 1/4/61 1/2

Winnipeg Wheat
May .. 125/125 1/2 124 1/2/124 1/2
July .. 114/114 1/4 113 1/2/114
Oct. .. 89 1/2/89 1/2 89 1/2/89 1/2

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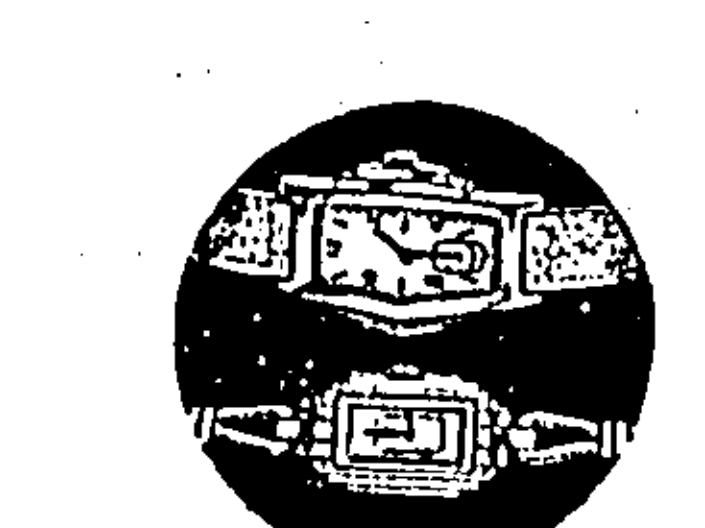
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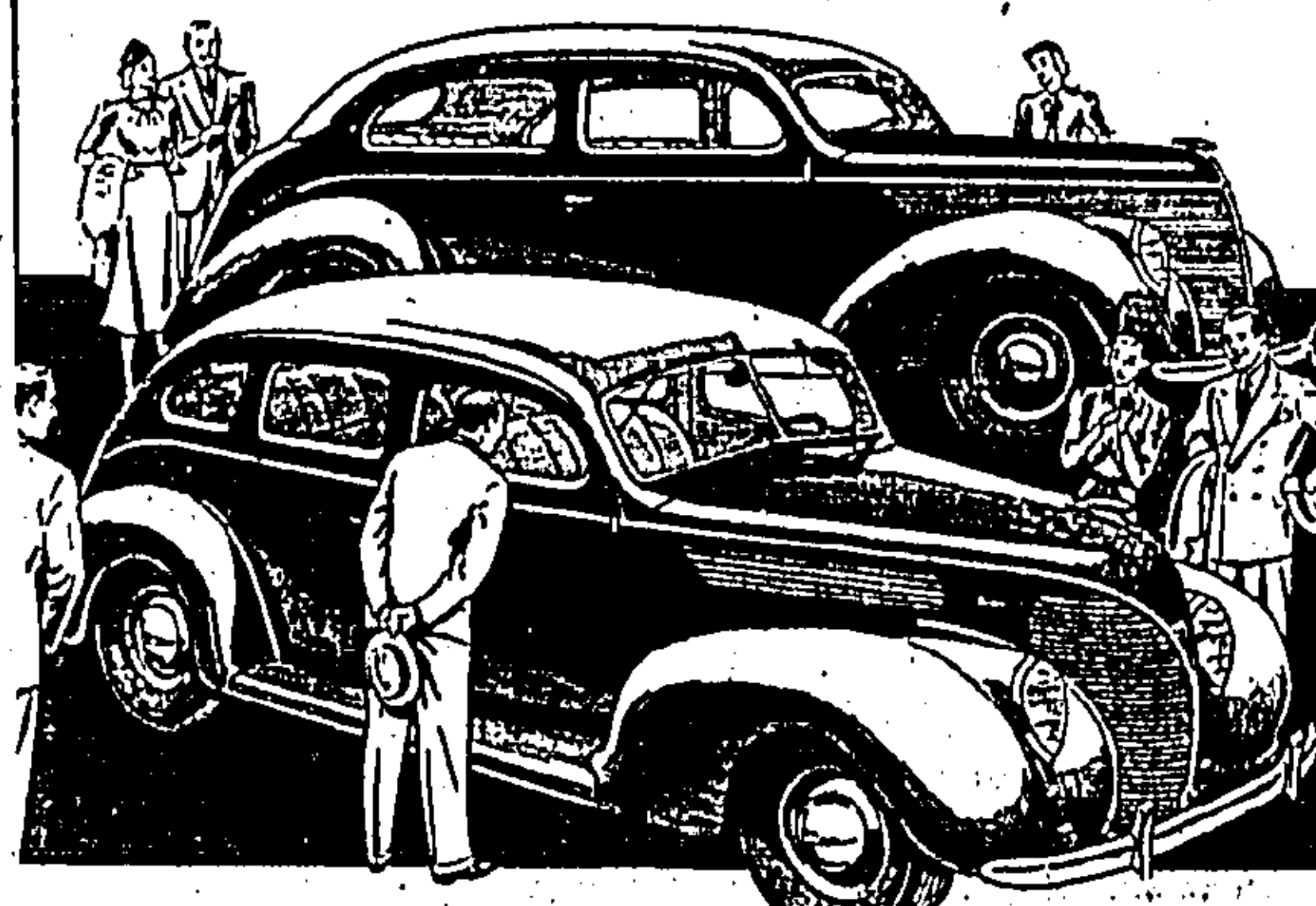
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General Post Office: Friday, April 15, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.; Saturday, April 16, 8 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.; Monday, April 18, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Kowloon Central P.O.: Friday, April 15, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.; Saturday, April 16, 8 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.; Monday, April 18, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Shuangwan Branch P.O.: Friday, April 15, 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.; Saturday, April 16, 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.; Monday, April 18, 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

The other Branch Post Offices and Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence each day as on Sundays and one delivery of registered correspondence at 10 a.m. on Friday, 15th, at 11 a.m. on Saturday, 16th and at 10 a.m. on Monday, 18th.

AIR MAIL LETTERS
Air mail letters may be posted in the ordinary posting boxes. They should be clearly marked "By Air Mail" and bear sufficient postage. Insufficiently prepaid letters may be faxed with double the deficiency or forwarded by Steamers Service, at the discretion of the Post Office.

AIR MAIL SERVICES
Air Mail Services to Shanghai, Nanking, Tsingtau, Tientsin and Peking are temporarily suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES
Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

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Letters and Postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAELS

From	Per	Due
Swatow and Amoy	Anshun	April 14.
Strait and Manila	Deuchlon	April 14.
Shanghai	Glengarry	April 14.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 6th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 14
Japan and Shanghai	Jean Laborde	April 14
Strait and Hollow	Mulanm	April 14
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 10th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 14
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 1st April.	Pan-American Airways Plane	April 14
Japan and Shanghai	Ranpura	April 14
Calcutta and Straits	Kumsang	April 14
Shanghai and Amoy	Victoria	April 14
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—San Francisco date, 19th March.	Pres. Adams	April 14
Shanghai and Amoy	Tjinegara	April 14
Shanghai	Yochow	April 14
Swatow	Yochow	April 14

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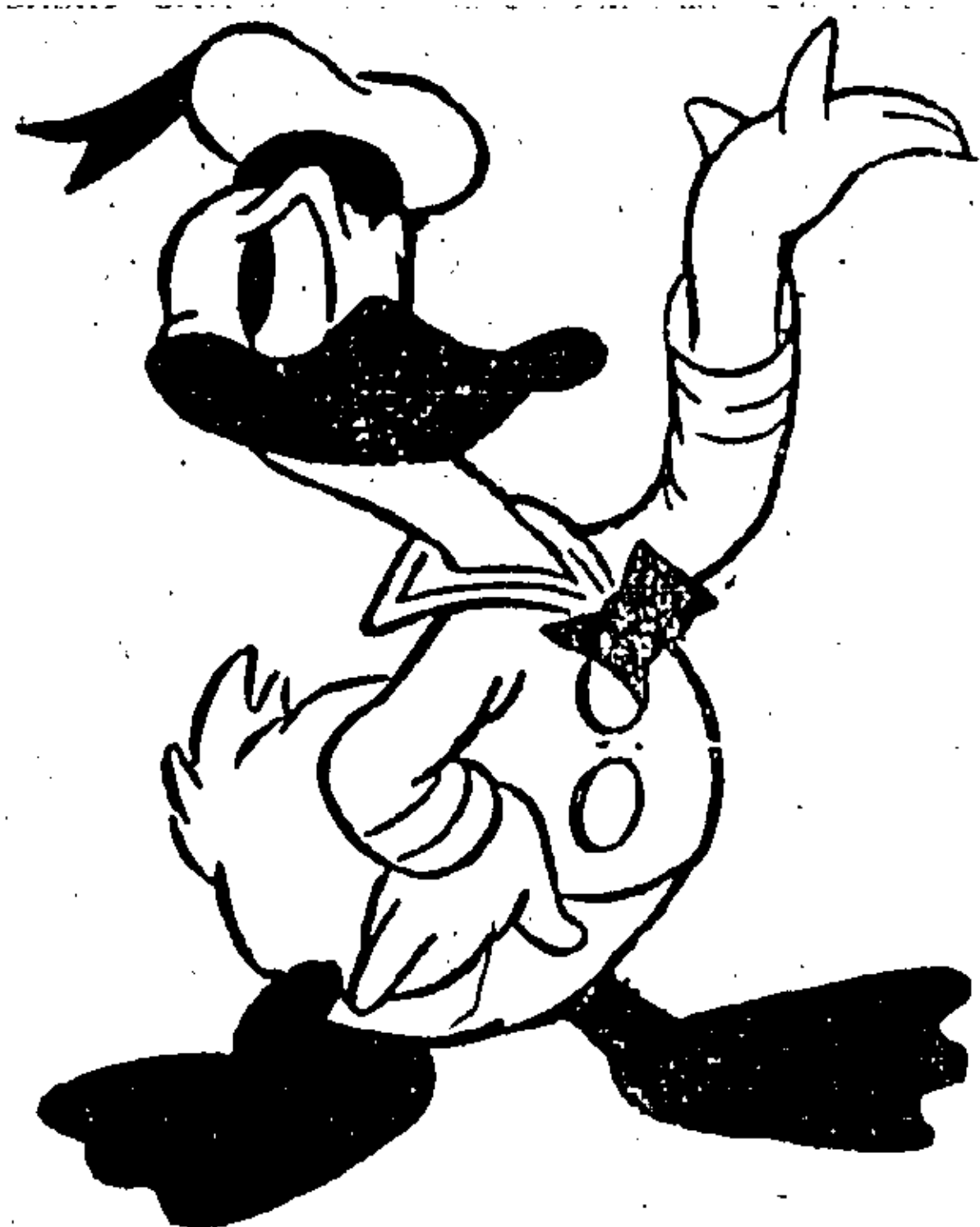
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CHINESE REACH GATES OF YHSIEN

(Continued from Page 1.)

ceived any telegrams or reports from the Shantung Provisional Government from April 8 to yesterday, when one letter, not reporting conditions, arrived.—United Press.

Reinforcements For Shantung Front

Peiping, Apr. 14.

Chinese resident in Tunchow report that during the past few days a number of train-loads of Japanese soldiers have arrived from Jehol by the new Tunchow-Chengteh railway. The cars were marked "For Shantung".—United Press.

Chekiang Cities Bombed

Kinhwa, Apr. 14.

Japanese planes carried out bombing raids over many cities in Chekiang yesterday.

Fourteen of the raiders came here in the afternoon. After circling over the city for some time, they dumped 24 bombs on the railway station, killing six civilians, wounding more than 20 and demolishing over 40 houses.

Wenchow was again bombed by four Japanese machines. Altogether 13 bombs were dropped, causing little damage.

At Linpu on the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway, three Japanese planes released five missiles, which killed two persons.

Yushan, Chinghsien and Shoshan were also bombed, but little damage was caused.—Central News.

Rain Frustrates Air Raids

Hankow, Apr. 14.

Heavy rain frustrated an attempt of over 60 Japanese to stage a mass bombing over the Wuhan cities yesterday afternoon.

It is reported that the invading machines, in several squadrons, flew here from a base in Anhwei. But when the raiders reached the Hupeh border, a torrential rain forced them to return.

Another Japanese attempt to raid the Wuhan cities later also failed.—Central News.

Warship Hit By Chinese Shells

Fanchang, Apr. 14.

One of three Japanese warships near Fanchang, south of Tungling, in Anhwei, was hit by shells from Chinese land batteries yesterday. The other two vessels at once moved downstream.—Central News.

Pickets Removed

Peiping, Apr. 14.

Reliable American reports state that tension at the American Mission Hospital at Chefoo has been alleviated. The Japanese pickets have been removed, following a compromise arrangement whereby representatives of the local Chinese authorities are allowed to enter the hospital to identify wounded Chinese.

The Japanese had picketed the hospital for several days following the refusal of the American hospital authorities to allow them to enter, presumably to arrest three wounded Chinese, whom they suspected of participating in the recent fighting.—United Press.

Irregulars Attack Peiping Coal Mine

Peiping, Apr. 14.

Coal dealers report that a large coal mine at Toli, 25 miles southwest of Peiping, was attacked by irregular troops a few days ago. The buildings were burned and the machinery badly damaged.—United Press.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary, issued at 12.30 p.m. yesterday, says:

Steady and fairly active conditions prevailed during the short session, but scrip remains rather scarce.

Buyers
Union Insurance \$30
China Underwriters \$2.10
Deutsche \$20
H.K. Steamboats \$20
Provident (New) \$3.45
Raubs \$3.20
H. & S. Hotels \$2.40
H.K. Lands \$2.35
H.K. Lands 4% debentures \$100½
Humphreys \$9
H.K. Tramways \$15.80
Peak Tram (Old) \$7
China Electric \$11.85
H.K. Electric \$9½
Telephones (Old) \$26½
Telephones (New) \$10½
Cement 4% div. \$17
H.K. Ropes \$4.40
Watsons \$8½
Lane Crawford \$5½
Wing On Textiles \$33
Constructions \$12½
Marsman (H.K.) 3/10

Sellers
China Light (Old) \$12
Sales
Hongkong Bank \$1,835
Provident (Old) \$3.70
Provident (New) \$3.47½/50
H.K. Mines \$0.10
H. & S. Hotels \$2.40
H.K. Lands \$2.35
Humphreys \$9
H.K. Tramways \$15.80/50
Watsons \$8½
Antamoka P. 40
Lark \$2
Begu Gold 19½
Benquet Consol 8.40
Coco Grove 4½
Consolidated Mines 11½
Demonstrations 33½
L.K.L. 67
Pearle Gums 13
San Mauricio 4½
Soyce Consol 19½
United Peracels 41

EXCHANGE RATES

	Apr. 12.	Apr. 13.
Paris	100.4	158½
Geneva	21.64	21.65
Berlin	12.38½	12.38
Athens	547½	547½
Milan	94½	94½
Oslo	19.80	19.80
Copenhagen	22.40½	22.40
Stockholm	19.40	19.40
Helsingfors	220½	220½
Shanghai	17½	17½
New York	4.07½	4.07½
Vienna	20½	20½
Amsterdam	8.98½	8.98½
Prague	142½	142½
Madrid	Nom.	Nom.
Lisbon	110½	110½
Hongkong	1/211	1/211
Bombay	1/8½	1/8½
Montreal	5.00½	5.00½
Brussels	29.53½	29.53
Yokohama	1/2	1/2
Beograd	677½	677½
Bucharest	19½	19½
Rio de Janeiro	211	211
Silver (Spot)	18½	18½
Silver (forward)	18½	18½
War Loan	102½	103½

—British Wireless.

RADIO BROADCAST

(Continued from Page 7.)

9.15 London Relay — "World Affairs".
A talk by The Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson, G.C.M.G., K.B.E.
9.30 London Relay—The News.
9.50 Concert Waltzes.
Waltz Nanette (Arr. Schwartz);
Spring Waltz (Arr. Schwartz);
Russian Novelty Orchestra; Wolga; Wolga! (Russian Waltz Potpourri—Walter Noack); Vienna Boheme Orchestra.
10.0 London Relay—"Music-Hall".
Including Clapham and Dwyer, in a spot of bother with The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra, conducted by Charles Shadwell.
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Case No. A.2366

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BANK PASSES BIG DIVIDEND

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, was held at Winchester House, Old Broad Street, London, on March 20.

The general balance sheet and statement of profit and loss account for the year ending December 31, 1937, submitted by the Directors to the shareholders, read as follows:

"The balance of profit and loss account for year amounts to £183,497 5s. 1d. and the amount available after adding £172,620 7s. 8d. brought forward from last account is £356,117 12s. 10d. From this sum has to be deducted £83,000, being the interim dividend of six per cent, less income tax on the "A," "B" and "C" shares, paid in September last.

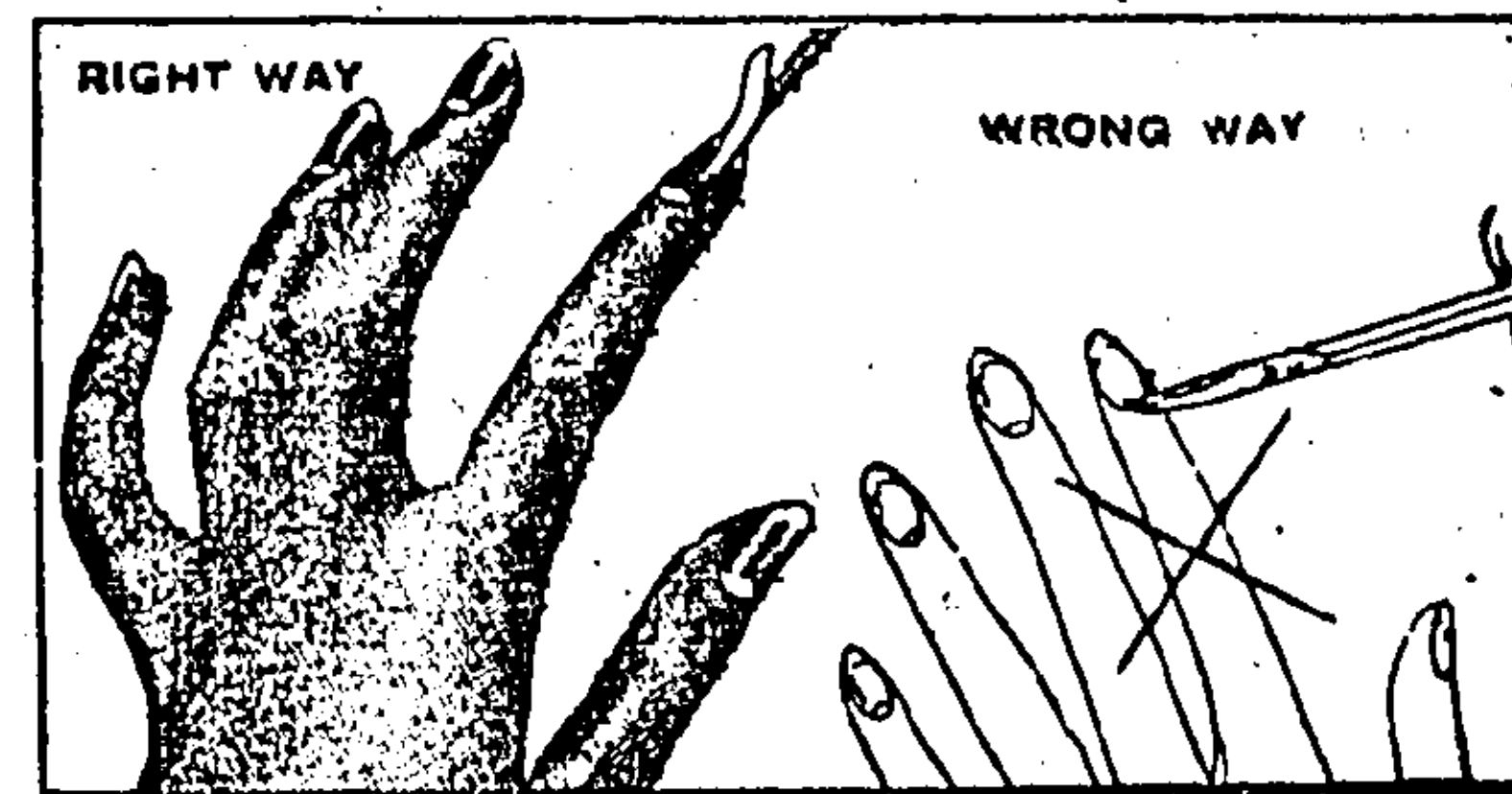
"The directors have added £12,000 to the Officers' Pension Fund, written £25,000 to Contingencies Account. They now recommend a final dividend of six per cent, less income tax (making 12 per cent. for the year), leaving a balance of £173,326 12s. 10d. to be carried forward.



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SPECIALISING
YOUTH

There are few things upon which all persons will agree. The necessity of education is one of them. But latterly the realisation that perhaps modern education is not all that it should be, that it too frequently attempts to fit square pegs for round holes and makes a botch of it, has dawned upon a number of men and women who make a study of these things. It will readily be seen that as mankind progresses scientifically and aesthetically the need for specialisation arises if the utmost in efficiency is to be achieved. In medicine, for instance, the idea of the clinic is a more-or-less new development. The greatest surgeon may be a poorest bacteriologist. It is frequently argued that a general medical practitioner, if he is to keep abreast of research, would have no opportunity to earn a living. Consequently there is this trend of specialisation in the profession. And so it is in many other walks of life, until even the lowly fourth estate has caught the idea, and the biggest and most enterprising newspapers, those which can best afford it, have their specialists for almost all departments. The idea behind this era of specialisation may be briefly explained like this: So great is the volume of general knowledge on any subject, from literature to engineering, from farming to medicine, that young people who show an inclination for one thing or another are directed into specialised courses as soon as their groundwork makes it practicable.

Hongkong has taken a step in the right direction in the establishment of the Junior Technical School and the Trade School for engineering, wireless and building industries, whose work was reviewed so interestingly Tuesday by Mr. G. White. It is particularly gratifying that the industries which stand to benefit from the work of these institutions should have given such generous support to them in the past. And it is fitting that Government money should assist in the training of young men who will eventually serve the public of this Colony at the same time they serve themselves.

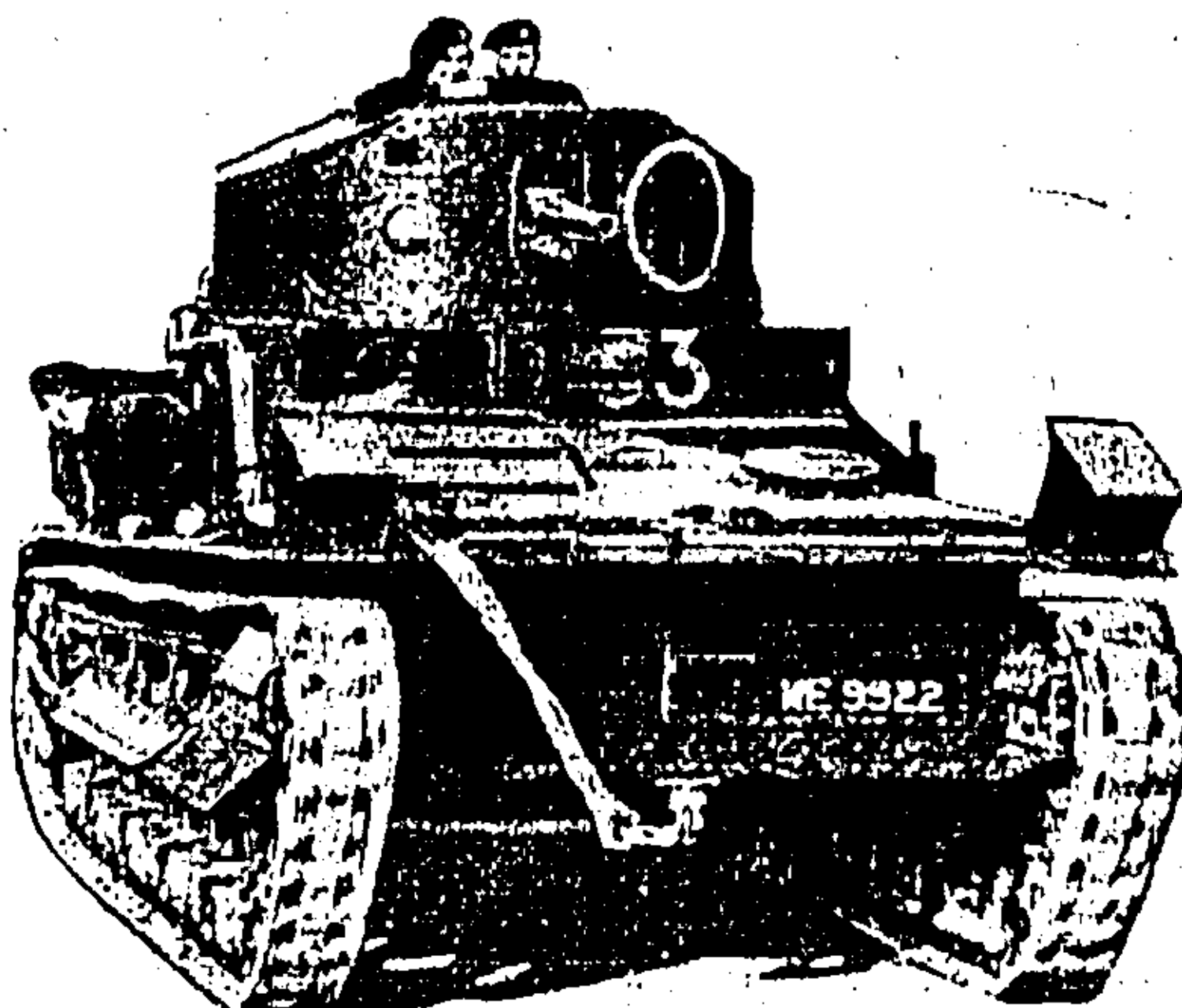
But there is one point upon which the authorities might do well to exercise the utmost caution. Even in this specialisation, which the boys of the

Best Army for Britain— 'PLANES & TANKS the MASTER WEAPONS

By
Major-General J. F. C. FULLER

C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O.
Chief General Staff Officer, Tank Corps 1916-18, and a leading
authority on Modern Strategy.

AS the Army Estimates, which will be published to-day, are likely to total more than £100,000,000—roughly 150 per cent. above the figure at which they stood before we began to rearm—we may well ask the question: What is our Army for?



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In attempting to answer it, first we must get out of our heads the idea that it is an insurance against war; for that is the purpose of foreign policy.

Instead, the aim of the Army is to extinguish war in the shortest time and at the lowest cost in lives, property and treasure when that foreign policy breaks down and there is a war.

The problem is, in fact, identical with that of limiting conflagrations in our towns and cities. In every municipality two things are required to prevent fires—namely, a common-sense policy and anti-fire appliances.

All the fire brigades in the country will not limit the outbreaks of fire unless the behaviour of the citizens is sane. If people leave boxes of matches in nurseries, drop lighted cigarettes on to their beds, and place bottles of petrol on their kitchen ranges there will be unending conflagrations irrespective of the appliances kept to extinguish them.

With an army the situation is similar. It is foreign policy which limits war—that is, the sane behaviour of the Government. Therefore, granted a rational foreign policy, all a Government needs to do is to turn to its military forces and decide on certain guiding characteristics.

True Careers

SUPPOSING that you represented the Government, then what would and should you do?

First of all, do not bother about ends; instead, consider means, for the grand end is war (the city to be protected), and not bits of war (the separate houses it contains).

Now, as to the means, and remembering that our Army is a British one it must fit British conditions.

First, it must appeal to the young men of this country as an

technical schools are undertaking there is one valuable and not entirely "alien" subject which should not be sacrificed—the study of the English language. In the first place if these young men are to earn their living in this Colony, even a small knowledge of English will be a tremendous advantage. And, if they are ambitious and propose to continue independent study or to attempt the highly technical secrets of their trade, books offering them the clearest road are not those in their native tongue. It is just possible that out of the trade schools of this Colony may come future teachers of thousands of Chinese. In the interests of everyone concerned the desirability of the English influence is thus apparent.

honourable and desirable profession. Its recruitment must be voluntary, because we have no need for an immense conscript army, and we only want in it men to whom soldiering appeals.

Further, these men must be offered true careers, something worth working for; therefore, I suggest a total service of 30 years in engagements of three years at a time. That is to say, a man enlists for three years, after which he can re-engage for another three years, and so on.

From 21 years' service onwards he should be eligible for pension, and it should be a generous one.

The Territorials

SECONDLY, the Army's organisation must be of the simplest possible character. Flexible, mobile, and easy to expand in war-time, because our Empire is scattered and our obligations are manifold.

Our Territorial Army should become a true second line to our Regular Army, so that we may have one force and not two.

Service in the Regular Army should be exchangeable; that is to say, after a certain period of service an infantryman should become a tank-man, or a tank-man a gunner, and so on; so that no soldier grows stale, and the older men can be fitted into jobs suitable to their age.

As regards the Army's formations, the existing ones are too cumbersome; therefore the new ones must be smaller and more flexible. The whole should be motorised and divided into self-contained brigades of all arms, the divisions becoming their administrative formation, as army corps were in the Great War.

Quality First

THIRDLY, tactics. Tactical organisation and training must be built round what I will call the Army's master weapons. Throughout history there have always been such weapons; for example—the long Macedonian pike, the Roman short stabbing sword, the English long bow, the Swedish field gun.

To-day our two master weapons are the aeroplane and the tank with their counter-agents, or shields, anti-aircraft and anti-tank weapons.

Then in a long-service army, that is a highly expert and truly professional army, an army of quality in contradistinction to quantity (one fire brigade and not a thousand hand buckets), its men will be able to fight in machines and without machines, and we shall have not only a highly mechanised army, but a superb light infantry force as well.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



THE BOMBS WILL GET THERE FIRST

By
A. GOWER

EVERY day now tests and demonstrations of air raid precautions schemes are being carried out in England. The Home Secretary is to speed up these schemes.

I hope he will succeed, but from a study of the methods which it is suggested should be employed I doubt it very much, particularly so far as London and the South are concerned.

The inhabitants of Northern and Midland towns have a far greater sense of civic duty than any South-country town, except possibly Portsmouth, appears able to engender.

Spurs Them On

TO tell the people of Coventry that the citizens of Leicester are in advance of them in air raid precautions spurs on the former town to outvie the latter.

Yet, one cannot visualise the Borough of Hampstead vying with the Borough of Southwark in the production of more efficient air raid precautions schemes.

To begin with no Metropolitan borough has been set a particularly good example by the parent body—the London County Council. Yet London and its surrounding suburbs contain one quarter of the entire population of the country!

How many Metropolitan boroughs have air raid precautions officers engaged on whole time work? There are but seven.

Have all the Metropolitan boroughs prepared even draft schemes? No! At least half of them have not done it!

Have any Metropolitan boroughs anything like a trained complement of air raid wardens? The answer is—just none.

While Leicester can have a "black-out," London could not have an efficient display for at least nine months.

Alarming Outlook

I ATTENDED the full council meeting, a very short while ago, of a Metropolitan borough so that I might find out the reactions of the aldermen and councillors to the ideas of the Home Office.

It was a borough from which one would have expected great enthusiasm and determination. From the agenda that I obtained, it appeared that the air raid precautions scheme was, through the apportionment committee and officers, proceeding on good lines and was in advance of most London boroughs.

Yet the outlook of the average member of that council was, while illuminating, at the same time alarming.

The councillors seemed to think that the purchase of books was more important than air raid precautions.

They allowed the Libraries Committee to overspend themselves by £200, when from the debate it appeared that the committee had done so in direct contravention of the original desire of the council.

Yet these same councillors refused to allow the salary of the air raid precautions officer to be advanced by a mere—taking into consideration the Home Office grant—£80 per annum. They, in fact, after much haggling allowed him half the advance recommended by the air raid precautions committee.

The defeat of the recommendation at issue at the meeting was not what worried me: it was the attitude and opinions of the speakers.

One rather ancient councillor said that he thought that air raid precautions would not be needed.

A Socialist councillor went into comparisons between the respective education of an air raid precautions officer and a chief librarian, much, I may say, to the detriment of the former.

Petty Politics

ANOTHER councillor said they were "going too fast!" An alderman compared this particular borough with other London boroughs, and was also of the opinion that they were "going too fast."

The whole tone of the council appeared to be that Metropolitan boroughs should travel by the slowest borough, rather than emulate the Northern and Midland towns in their attempts to outvie each other.

Incidentally, I noticed that during proceedings, this council advanced the maximum salary of the cemetery superintendent by £100.

That council meeting filled me with a feeling of great despondency. There seemed something so much of petty "parish pump" politics in its proceedings.

I fear indeed that the Home Secretary will have to adopt a different scheme if London is to be made at all conscious of the need for air raid precautions.

I watched the aldermen and councillors as they left the town hall. They all seemed, with the exception of the chairman of the air raid precautions committee, so pleased with themselves.

I, personally, felt like the poet Gray, gazing at the distant prospect of Eton College:

Alas! regardless of their doom
The little victims play!
No sense, have they of life to come,
No care, beyond to-day.
N.B.—I was born and bred in London.

LADIES' HOCKEY SEASON REVIEWED BY "PILGRIM"

Racing Carnival For Holidays

**CAPITAL PROGRAMME
ARRANGED FOR BOTH
DAYS OF THE MEET**

**GOOD ENTRIES RECEIVED
FOR MINOR EVENTS**

(By "Captain Foster")

We have had exceptionally fine weather during the last few days and it seems safe to forecast that we will have a good grass track for the Easter Race Meeting. On Saturday the first saddling bell will be chimed at noon, and the meeting will continue on Monday. The tiffin interval will be immediately after the second race on each day and the third event is timed to be run at 2.30 p.m.

Race-goers will be treated with a capital programme of ten races with the inclusion of eight handicap events, the main contest being the St. George's Plate confined to the griffins of this season among the China ponies. The Deep Bay and Taiwan Bay Handicaps (for China ponies "C" and "D" classes respectively) have been sub-divided into two sections at the discretion of the official handicapper and the segregation, with judicious allotment of the poundage, has set a knotty problem to spot the winner. There is heavy over the same hunt. I have good reason to say that Mr. Encarnacao is going to pilot Rob Roy while Mr. Tuo will be riding Potentate and Mr. Poy will be up on Rose-Queen, all the three belonging to Mr. Eu Tong-sen. In the Chater Cup run about two months ago, Red Feather, the winner was conceding a few pounds to Rob Roy whereas on Saturday the latter has further concession of the lead and Rob Roy has a good sporting chance to turn the tables. This, of course, cannot be guaranteed, for on the book of form, New Star and Honeycomb are both dangerous. I have not seen Dawn Star at her work, but Royal Scot (Mr. Gregory) is very backward. Boudat Bay, who was recently promoted from the lower deck, ran a good race (third) behind Potentate, the winner of Ladies' Purse, and if this stallion of Mr. Dunbar can reproduce the same form, it is a good bet to follow up.

THREE RUNNERS FROM EU STABLE

Another interesting contest before lunch will be seen in the Hongkong Handicap for "B" class China raters over the same hunt. I have good reason to say that Mr. Encarnacao is going to pilot Rob Roy while Mr. Tuo will be riding Potentate and Mr. Poy will be up on Rose-Queen, all the three belonging to Mr. Eu Tong-sen. In the Chater Cup run about two months ago, Red Feather, the winner was conceding a few pounds to Rob Roy whereas on Saturday the latter has further concession of the lead and Rob Roy has a good sporting chance to turn the tables. This, of course, cannot be guaranteed, for on the book of form, New Star and Honeycomb are both dangerous. I have not seen Dawn Star at her work, but Royal Scot (Mr. Gregory) is very backward. Boudat Bay, who was recently promoted from the lower deck, ran a good race (third) behind Potentate, the winner of Ladies' Purse, and if this stallion of Mr. Dunbar can reproduce the same form, it is a good bet to follow up.

ROSEHILL STAKES

The Rosehill Stakes for non-winning Australian sub-griffins of this season is a dash from the 1½ mile post and a lot of course depends upon the draw of the position which is one of the important factors, coupled with a good start. Bredon with Mr. E. Proulx, looks a good thing. King's Privilege may or may not start but in the event of the owner deciding on the latter course, Mr. Needa will no doubt take out The Buffer. There is also a rumour that The Buffer will not accept in which case the Northern jockey will then ride Sydney Bridge. It will be seen that Mr. Needa has the option of three mounts, the best being King's Privilege. This damsel by the "unknown" went lame after running third in the Perth Plate and I fancy her to be in the limelight provided she goes to the post as O.K. In her absence I would recommend Macquarie River. Cape York has changed ownership and it is to be hoped that he will run better for the new colours.

SECOND LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

The second leg of the daily double is on the Gin Drinkers Bay Stakes for non-winning subscription griffins of this season over a mile and the race is to be ridden by novices. In addition we have a beautiful array

CONFUSION BAY NOT RUNNING IN MAIN EVENT

**Cameronian Fancied
To Win The Plate**

It came as a surprise when Mr. Dunbar's Confusion Bay was not among the list of entries for the main event, the St. George's Plate, which is a handicap for griffins of this season over the champion course. Confusion Bay has started three times (two wins and a third) since the Annual Race Meeting and the stallion is quite a young animal, which may be the reason for not giving the pony a run. However, we have only a handful of entries and the issue will be fought out between Cameronian (Mr. Encarnacao) and Moonlight View (Mr. Pih) with Jobber (Mr. Ip) to fill up the third position in the frame. My hope of a great race has gone to the dogs owing to the absence of Confusion Bay. Cameronian was considered at one time to be only a sprinter, but I am inclined to take another view. His longest outing at the Annual Carnival was over a mile and that was when he trounced Moonlight View on level terms in the Tyro Stakes. For a heeling of a length, Cameronian is set to concede five pounds of lead to Moonlight View, but the journey on Saturday is two furlongs longer and even at that I am of opinion that Mr. Eu Tong-sen's boy gelding will come out with flying colours. I am not under-rating Moonlight View nor is he to be considered as "NEG"; in fact the blackie of Mr. Li Lan-sang is well kept in the most forward for the big handicap event, but I nominate Cameronian because I like the animal.

FIRST LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

The first leg of the daily double is on the Deep Bay Handicap (first section) over six furlongs. It will be King's Justice's first run among this company after his recent demotion and it looks that the great "has been" has a good chance to show his legs. It will be recalled that at this time last year, King's Justice with a novice, Mr. S. L. Yuen, created a sensation by romping home first in the Hongkong Hill Handicap over six furlongs and paid a handsome return of \$191.90 for a win. He was then running against "B" class raters whereas on Saturday he will be up against a lower standard. King's Justice knows every sharp corner of our race course and I love to see him finishing at the head of the pack. However, I may interest you to know that among the list of entries there is a good mixture of old timers and griffins of this season, and the adjustment of the poundage has not been in favour of the youngsters of this year. Humdrum Eve, the winner of Wuchow Handicap over six furlongs at the last meeting, has the same 105 lbs. to carry while Amberley, who was second in the Fatshan Handicap, has been penalised 7 lbs. Laughing Girl, who was behind Amberley, has to shoulder three pounds more while King's Bounty and Royal Consort remain on the same mark. The going at the last meet was more a paddy field than a grass track and we all know that the mud was not to King's Bounty's liking. Of all the ponies mentioned, my fancy is King's Bounty, Humdrum Eve and Laughing Girl. I have named them in the order I expect them to see them cross over the touch line.

of 20 ponies to pick the winner and there is no difficulty in making the selection, provided of course the steeds run true to their form. The result of the Kongtun Handicap was Golden Cow, Fel Ying, Charybdis and Cuban Love, the last being declared fourth by the judges. With (Continued on Page 9.)

Home Football

EAST FIFE ENTERS CUP FINAL

**Wins In Second
Re-Play**

London, Apr. 13. Playing at Edinburgh to-day, East Fife earned the right to meet Kilmarnock in the final of the Scottish Football Cup by beating St. Bernards in the second replay between the two teams in the semi-final round of the competition. East Fife succeeded by the odd goal in three. Several Scottish League matches were played in the First Division. Rangers visited Aberdeen and won by three nil, while Hearts beat Morton by 2-1.

**SCOTTISH CUP
(SEMI-FINAL)**
East Fife 2 St. Bernards 1

Tennis Championship

YOUNG TSUI EARN RIGHT TO FIGHT ANOTHER DAY

**Semi-Final Tie Halted
In The Fifth Set**

(By "Abe")

While the greatest credit must be given to Tsui Yun-pui for fighting back so splendidly after being two sets down, H. D. Rumjahn, the title-holder, himself contributed to some extent to his own failure to clinch the issue when these two players met in the semi-finals of the Colony Tennis Singles Championship on the stand court of the Hongkong C. C. yesterday.

The champion's refusal to extricate himself from difficult positions by lobbing was one of the features of the encounter. When his drives were in good working order in the first two sets, there was reason for his confidence in exploiting this stroke as a defensive measure, but when he failed him later on, it was bad tactics not to do so.

This stubborn attitude on Rumjahn's part was made all the more incomprehensible by the fact that Tsui's overhead weakness is already well-known. If further evidence was needed to prove this, Tsui supplied it yesterday, yet in the course of the whole encounter, the number of jobs made by Rumjahn could be counted on the fingers of one hand.

RELIED ON DRIVES

Had Rumjahn resorted to this method of forcing Tsui away from the net, he would have had a good chance of winning. But instead he relied almost solely on his drives which later lost their accuracy and were comfortably tucked away by the Chinese, who was in fine volleying form. Thus Rumjahn slowly, but by bit, lost his advantage, and indeed when the final set was started was in danger of losing.

But he then took a firm grip on himself and fought every inch of the way until 4-4 was reached when it was adjudged too dark to continue the match which was then abandoned. The scores then were:—7-5, 6-4, 3-6 and 4-4 (Rumjahn's scores first).

How right my colleague "Veritas" was when he remarked recently that the Rumjahn facing defeat was a much dangerous player than the Rumjahn with a substantial lead! Showing better form than he did last week, Rumjahn took the two opening sets yesterday with a display which indicated that he was likely to win in straight sets unless Tsui showed a decided improvement in the third stanza. But with this important lead, he seemed to slacken, and when Tsui went to a lead of 5-2, the champion did not seem to be trying to fight it out. Whether he was slowing down deliberately for a final effort in the fourth set was not clear; but the spurt did not materialise. And the champion's strokes, so crisp and deep in the opening sets, now became less reliable, and from being the aggressor he became the defender.

TSUI FORCES PACE

Hot on the scent, Tsui rightly forced the pace of the exchanges and choosing the right moments to advance to the net, he had the Indian running all over the court trying to retrieve deep drives near the side lines and drop shots which, though seldom winners, had the effect of keeping his opponent constantly on the run. Tsui's advances might have been checked had Rumjahn embarked on a lobbing campaign but it was surprising that the latter

HOME RUGBY

London, Apr. 13. Bridgend defeated Bath to-day by 17-10 in a Rugby Union fixture, and Captain Crawshaw's XV beat Cambridge by 23 points to three.—Reuter.

(at Edinburgh)

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

Aberdeen 0 Rangers 3
Kilmarnock 2 Hamilton 2
Morton 1 Hearts 2

SECOND DIVISION

King's Park 1 Raith R. 4

AMATEUR INTERNATIONAL

London, Apr. 13.

Ireland defeated Scotland by two goals to one to-day in the Amateur International match played at Belfast.—Reuter.

C.B.S. GIRLS HAD A SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN

The curtain has been drawn on ladies' hockey in the Colony; a very successful season was terminated last Saturday week when the champions of both the senior and junior divisions met the Rest teams in two very interesting games.

Though only four teams participated in the Caer Clark Cup, great interest was maintained in the competition throughout the season, and the standard of play was on the upgrade all the time.

The most improved players in the junior section are:

Miss J. Lakeman, Miss Tonge and Miss M. McCaw ("Y" Ladies); Miss G. White, Miss H. Reid, Miss E. Churn and Miss S. Roberts (St. Andrew's); Miss Purvis, and Miss M. Smalley (Hongkong Ladies); Miss Moss, Miss B. Parsons, Miss Cleaver and Miss P. Whitley (C.B.A. Ladies).

The "Y" Ladies retained the championship with St. Andrew's as runners-up.

JUNIOR DIVISION

The most improved players in the junior section are:

Miss P. Pasco, Miss Followfield, Miss N. Witchell, Miss M. Shand and Miss B. Houghton (C.B.S. "A"); Miss Ewing, Miss E. Watson and Miss McKelvie (C.B.S. "B"); Miss J. Hall, Miss J. Broadbridge, Miss P. Lawson and Miss E. Ho (St. Andrew's); Miss Silva, Miss Gonsalves, Miss Remedios and Miss Barros (Rest); Miss E. Woolley, Miss Winch and Miss MacAlpine (C.B.A.); Mrs. Gumbel, Mrs. Ackroyd and Mrs. McKay (Sonsforth); Mrs. Slater and Miss Ambrose (Y.M.C.A.).

The C.B.S. "A" again retained the Brawn Cup without a single defeat throughout the League campaign—a record of which they may well be proud. The C.B.S. "B" were runners-up.

The School, therefore, has done very well during the season, and this speaks volumes for the splendid work of Miss Abraham, their coach. The Hongkong Ladies were winners of the Seven-a-Side Tournament, with the C.B.S. "A" as runners-up.

The standard of play in the Junior Division has improved considerably and several young players have represented their teams in the senior games when called upon as reserves. These reserves have, in the cases of St. Andrew's, C.B.S. and Y.M.C.A. given very creditable performances and I shall not be surprised to see them appear for the senior teams next season.

With the exception of one or two rare cases, great satisfaction was experienced with regard to umpires supplied by the Umpires' Hockey Board.

THE INTERPORT

It was rather unfortunate that no Interport game could be arranged owing to the unsettled state of affairs in Shanghai; but I sincerely hope our ladies will be able to make the trip up north next winter. Last but by no means least, my congratulations to Miss Violet Brad-

INTERPORT ELEVEN A GOOD ONE

**Seven New Caps
Congratulated**

(By "The Pilgrim")

The Interport hockey team to oppose Macao has been chosen and my congratulations are offered to the seven new caps: M. Hamzan, Fit. Lieut. Wallace, Pte. Stickle, Nk. Ghulam Rasul, M. R. Malik, Lieut. J. A. H. Douglass and G. H. Fowler. Though in the opinion of many enthusiasts a stronger team could have been chosen, I consider that the selected side, in the circumstances, is a good one. I am pleased to see that the selectors have not lost faith in Pyram Singh and that they have restored Partaub to outside left.

It is to be hoped that the S. A. Fowler-Douglass combination will come up to expectations on the right flank. Douglass has every reason to consider himself fortunate to secure his place at inside right.

Contrary to the views of many good judges of the game, Ghulam Rasul has been chosen at right half instead of right back. The selectors seem to have been playing a game of draughts in the case of this fine player. In the two trials, he was seen at left back and then right back, and now he has been chosen as right half. Normally he is centre-half; so, his present position, should not be too difficult for him. He deserves his place.

HOPE FOR THE BEST

Wallace is said by some of those on the Selection Committee as being the best right back in the Colony. I sincerely hope for the sake of the Hongkong team that he will play up to this reputation.

The rest of the team seem set and with three days more before the big game comes off, I will probably have another opportunity of reviewing the prospects. The prevailing opinion seems to be that it is going to be a victory for our Portuguese visitors. But then, who knows?

bury, the Hon. Secretary of the H.K.L.H.A., for the efficient and smooth manner in which both the Leagues and the Seven-a-Side Tournament were run. In her first term of office, she has made a great improvement in one or two items. I wish her and ladies' hockey in general an even more successful season next year.

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RACING NOTES BY "CAPTAIN FOSTER"

(Continued from Page 8.)

Golden Cow out of the contest, the order of the finish should be Fel Yung, Charybdis and Cuban Love and a lot depends upon the jockeys. Capo Comorin, Dekko, Lancashire Chip, Lucky Eleven, Sahara Star, Styne and Wenning are all worthy of an investment of a five dollar bill each way.

A BIG FIELD IS LIKELY

The Callopo Handicap for "B" class Australian ponies over six furlongs will certainly draw a big field and I expect to see the following line-up:—

A Great Time S. C. Liang
Annabella H. C. Pih
Aztec or Bag Tor C. L. Gregory
Centre Court S. W. Tang
Derby Day B. L. Tao
Dick Purpin Encarnacion
Katinka C. V. Needa
Little Audrey W. Black
Lucky Lad W. Black
Vixen Tor A. W. Raymond
B. Proulx

Katinka started only once this season and her successful outing in the Bendigo Stakes over a mile was nicely handled by her old partner, Mr. L. P. Ralph, who has gone home on leave. The mount has been entrusted to Mr. Needa and the combination does not require any introduction. Katinka is a fast lady over this jaunt, but she has to keep a wicked eye on Vixen Tor who is in fine fettle. When they met in the Bendigo Stakes, the difference of weight was only three pounds, but on Saturday Vixen Tor has a pull of 10 lbs. Among the greenhorns, Annabella, Little Audrey and Lucky Lad are about the best and they all have a stiff proposition to upset the apple-cart.

SMILING THRU REAL DANGER IN THIS RACE

Miss Pamela Scott Hayston, after having collected a first prize of \$450 won by Valorous in the Swatow Handicap, has either sold or leased her grey gelding to the stable, Helenside, but Valorous (Mr. Y. T. Fung) has some burden to think about in the Taiwan Bay Handicap (first section) for "D" class China ponies over a course from the two mile post once round and in. Election Time (Mr. A. W. Raymond) is on the back mark and should the mare reproduce her Macao form, she should give a good account of herself. Plain View (Mr. Pih) ran well at the last outing, but Whalsey (Mr. Proulx) has been penalised only a pound for capturing the Northern Stakes at the February session. The latter is well tuned to concert pitch and can last the distance. Smiling Thru (Mr. Encarnacion) is the real danger for he ran a good third behind Planchet and Louis XIV in the Tyam Handicap "A" division when the mile was covered in 2.03.25 which was undoubtedly fast for subscription ponies.

THE LAST RACE

The official handicapper has assigned 14 China ponies to the last event, the Taiwan Bay Handicap (second section) for "D" class over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in, and Diogenes and Gold Coin are at the top of the assessment. On the strength of his fine performance

at the last meeting, Golden Cow is only three pounds behind the top weighters and it is extremely difficult to gauge his run against Diogenes and Gold Coin for they have never met before. Good Morning and Racing Boy are near the bottom of the ladder with Tempest at the lowest, namely 147 lbs. The weight controller has in the ordinary routine of his official capacity allotted each entry with a certain amount of the avoidances, but it would take a clever mathematician to follow up the line of conduct. The publication of the training times can only be used as a guide to convey that so-so pony was in condition, but it does not tell the rail birds what weight he or she was carrying in the trail. If we can attach any importance to then Good Morning and Tempest's gallop of last Saturday over a mile in 2.12.5 must bring the two steeds to the post first locked together. With a little knowledge of their past performances, I give my prerogative to Tempest and we shall see how it works out on Saturday.

INTERPORT HOCKEY PROGRAMME

The arrangements for the entertainment of the Macao hockey team during the Easter holidays have been completed and are as follows:

The first match will be played on Club Ground between Macao and a Royal Naval side on Saturday, "bully-off" at 3 p.m. The match will only be a short one, approximately 20 minutes each half, for it is only meant to act as a "Loosener" for the Macao team.

On Sunday, Hongkong will play Macao on the Royal Naval Recreation Club Ground, King's Park, "bully-off" at 3 p.m. Macao will wear red and white quartered shirts, white shorts and red and white ringed stockings. The Hongkong team, with a reserves, has already been published.

On Monday, the Hongkong Civilian will play Macao at the same time and place, and on this occasion the Civilian team will be wearing white shorts, white and black ringed stockings and green shirts.

Interport Dinner
On Monday evening at 8 p.m., the Interport Dinner will be held in the Cafe Wiseman, when the Macao team will be the guests of the Hongkong Association. It is earnestly hoped that as many Hongkong enthusiasts as possible will turn up for this function, the charge for which will be \$2.50 including wine which will be served when speeches are being made, and which will be collected at the door. It would be very helpful if any person who intends to attend this function would inform, by telephone or call, either Mr. A. M. Xavier, care of the P. and O. Bank, Tel. 26636 during office hours or 58220 after office hours, or Mr. G. T. Palmer, care of Reiss Bradley & Co. Ltd., Tel. 28009 during office hours or 50200 after office hours.

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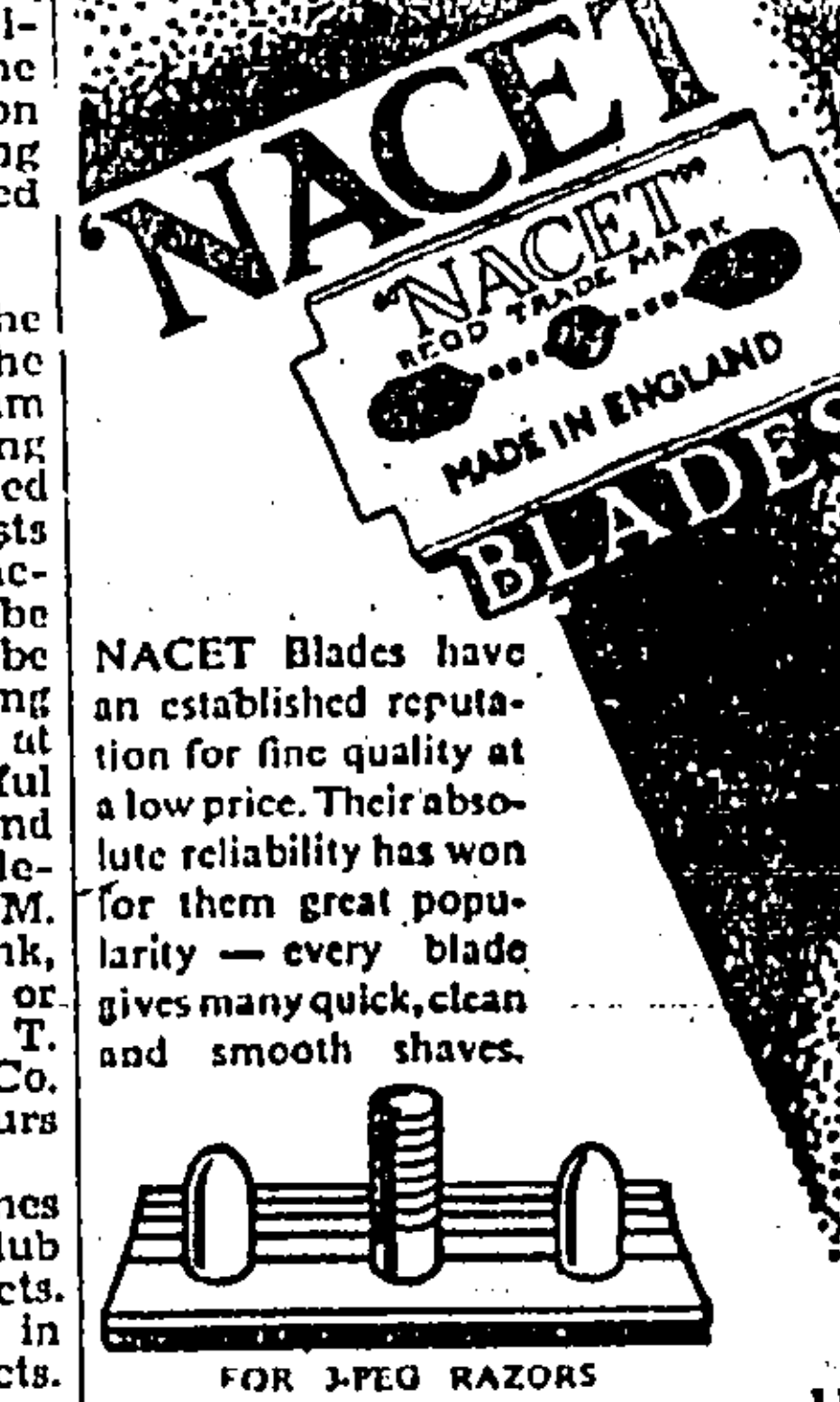
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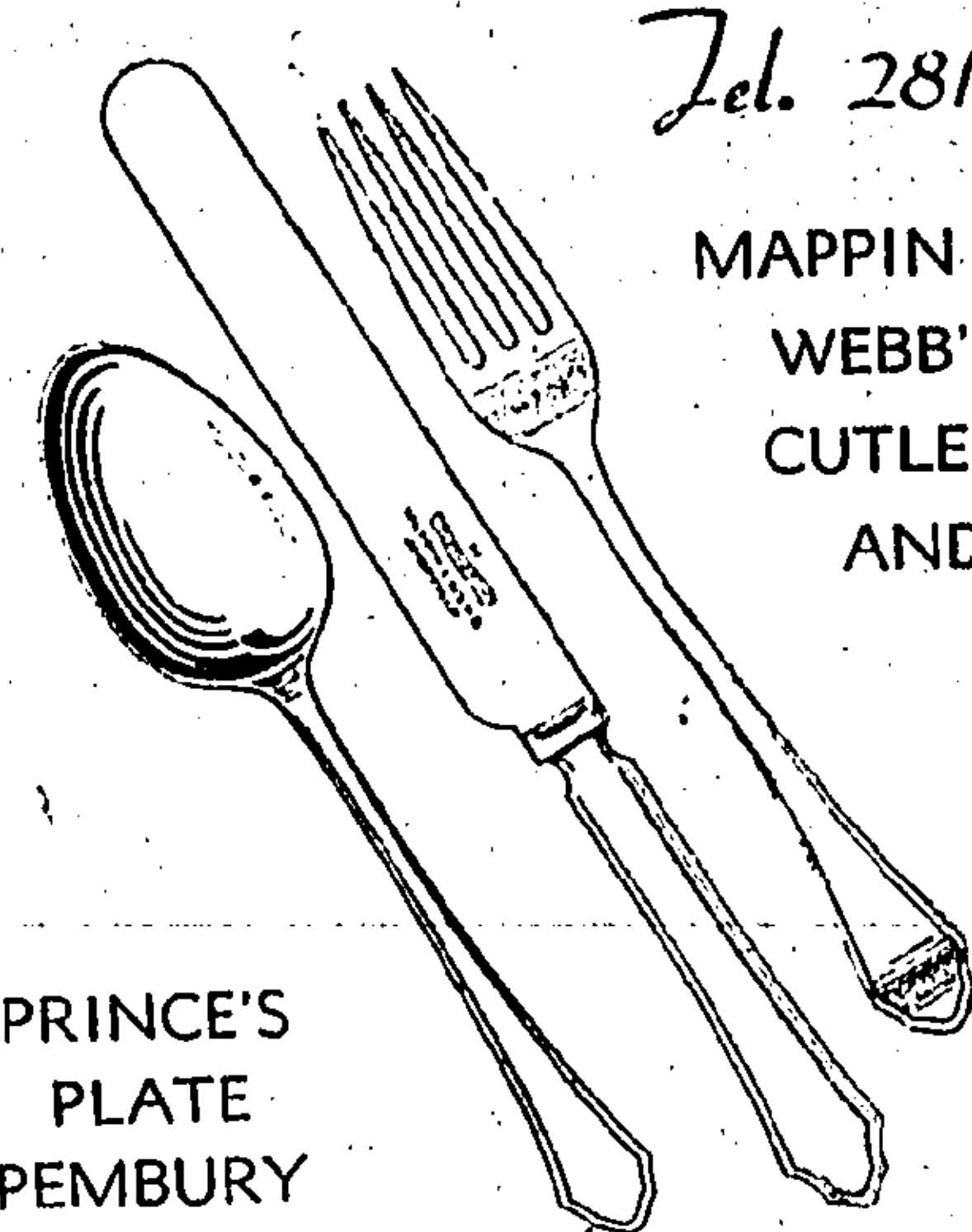
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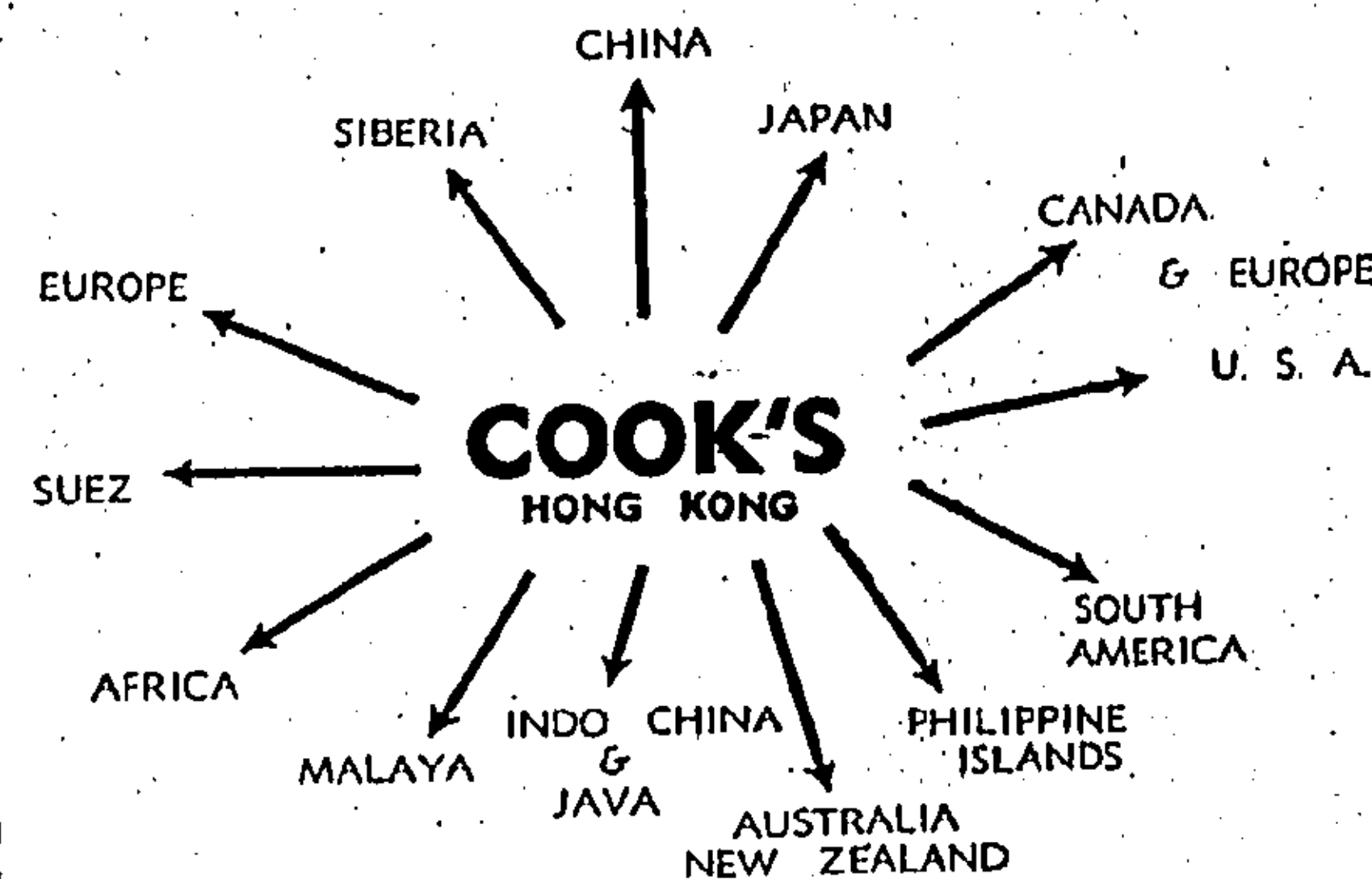
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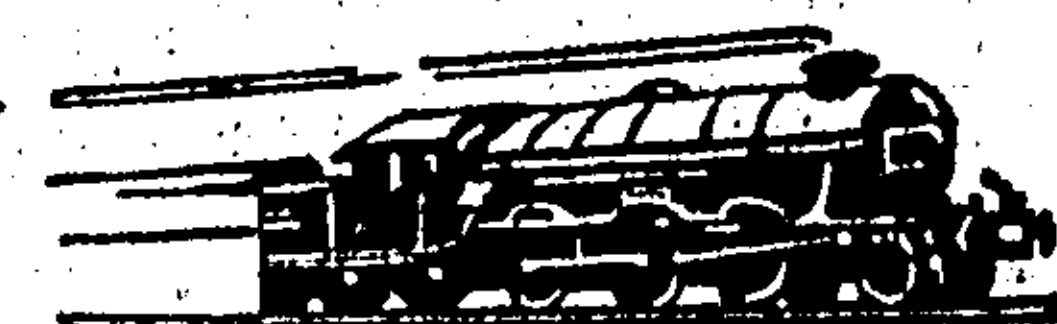
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SPARE MOMENT PAGE

THE BRIDE WORE RED

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BEATRICE FABER

Chapter Five

Ann's scrambled up the little mountain trail and then, as she reached the top, drew herself erect. "Hurry Rudi," she called breathlessly, "we'll miss the train!"

Nearly, a peak bristled fragrantly with pine. And far below, there shone an oval lake, like a little drop of jade. Ten wondrous days of it, Ann thought, and it was all there in her face. Her skin reflected the clean brightness of the early morning, her eyes the azure of the sky.

"What if we do miss it?" Rudi shouted good-naturally. "I'll be back tomorrow." It had taken a powerful interest in this strange girl to get him up the mountain. Rudi at her shoulder, she snatched her hands together once, as a child would. "Look," she whispered, "the whole valley is like a sea of gold and all the trees are gilded." Suddenly her eyes filled with inexplicable tears. Dropping to a boulder,

Gullie's distribution of the morning mail was indeed a ritual. Most of the guests had learned to look forward to it. Now, standing beside the desk he pulled letters out with a flourish and handed them to their rightful owners.

"Signorina Milano, four at letter." A buxom woman bustled up, accepting her bounty with a giggle. "Signorina Croix, one at letter."

"Taking it, Signor La Croix hold it to the light and nodded with satisfaction. "Herr Franzlein." There was no answer. "Herr Franzlein?"

"Then, of a sudden, Gullie's voice softened. "Signorina Anne Vivaldi," he intoned vibrantly. "A letter for you."

Anne felt her spine prickled with anxiety. A letter? For her it could mean only bad news.

Rudi's voice was sharp with jealousy. "You said no one knew where you were. Apparently some one does."

"I can't imagine —" she began in a stifled voice. Then, as Rudi took a step forward, "No, no, I'll get it myself. It's more fun."

The Countess affixed her monocle and stared after her. "Her first letter in ten days. I'd give my one good eye to know from whom it came."

"Really Helen," Maddelena reproved her, "from the way you carry on, one would think Anne had murdered some one."

The Countess's reply was terse. "I've thought of that too."

Gullie's eyes were glowing with pleasure as Anne approached him. "Your first letter, Signorina. I have often wondered why there were none."

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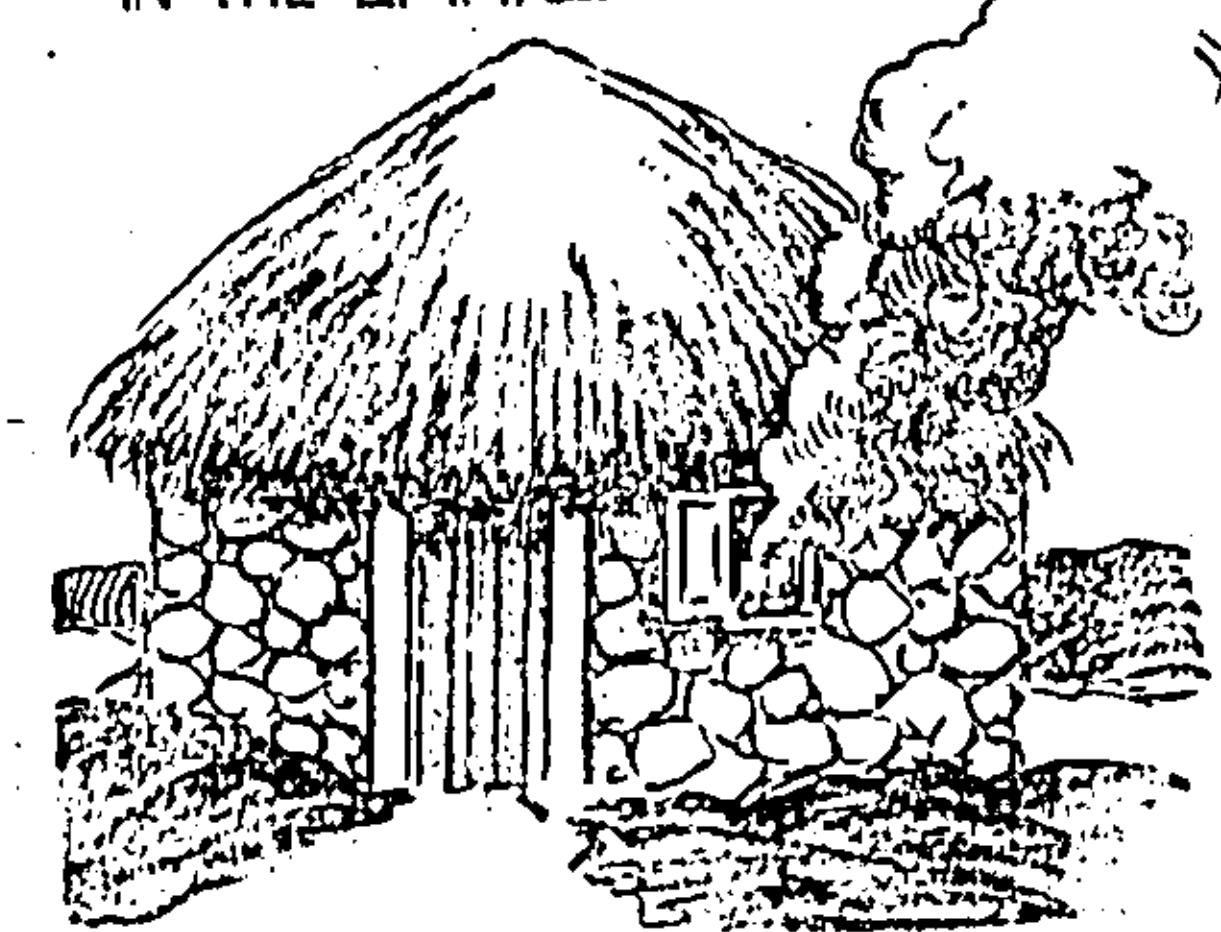
HOW IT BEGAN

By Paul F. Berdanier



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A Request Article—
MORE ABOUT SLEEP

ALL I set out to do, in writing an article recently on "My Golden Rule For Sleep," was to tell how one man had solved the sleep problem. Having given my recipe for sleep, I expected to hear no more about it.

But ever since then letters from readers have poured in, and many of them say, "It's all very well for you, but..." "It's all very well for you to say that once you put your head on the pillow you stop thinking," writes a business man from Harrow, "but what would you do if you had my worries?" The answer is that I should banish them as I banish mine. If anybody thinks that I have no worries, let him think again. Let him imagine the strain of rehearsals, first nights, and regular performances, and the thousand and one things that can go wrong, and then ask himself whether he could forget all that when he got to bed. Well, I can.

Relax

AS soon as an unpleasant thought tries to invade my rest I kick it out. With my eyes shut I see the happy things that have happened in my life. I do not think about them. I just let them come, and then am asleep.

What I am getting at is that rest, for most people, is more important than exercise. Indeed, strenuous physical exercise is about the worst possible medicine for anybody suffering from worry, "nerves," or mental or bodily fatigue.

No Violent Exercise

ONE great mistake that many people make is in supposing that they can prepare themselves for a day's work by going through a series of violent exercises in the bathroom. Actually, the best

CARL BRISSON

has had so many letters as a result of his recent article on sleep that he returns to the subject to deal with the interesting points raised by readers

foundation for a day's work is a good night's sleep. Why undo all that preparation by tiring yourself physically? My work, I think, is rather more strenuous than most people's. I have to keep my muscles in trim by exercise in order to do it. But when you see me doing my (hurry) dance with my sister (hurry) please do not regard it as physical exercise. It is my work, my art, and my body is in proper physical condition for it. I have to take my exercise in other ways. I prepare for my work, however, not by punching a bag or climbing a bar, but by resting. I get to the theatre an hour before the start of the performance and I take a long relaxing course of the exercise I have recommended to my Hampstead friend. Even if I do not fall asleep I get up quite as refreshed as if I had slept for hours.

This is by no means the only method of relaxing—did you ever try imaginary travelling? It is one of my favourite ways of banishing worry. When things look black I go on a world tour for half an hour. An atlas, a few folders from a travel bureau or even a railway time-table may be sufficient to set me off. Sometimes I visit distant places that I have known, and meet old friends again. At other times I go exploring in lands that I have not yet seen but shall, I hope, some day. That is why the table in my dressing-room is often littered with pictures and booklets advertising steamship lines. When friends call they say: "Hullo, Carl, going away?" "No," I reply, "I am just back from Peking!"

They think I am fooling, but I am not. I have been on a journey and escaping from my problems for only a few minutes has enabled me to come back and face them with a fresh mind.

Not all the readers who have written to me say "It's all very well for you." Quite a number have tried my sleep recipe and found that it worked for them too. One or two have sent me recipes of their own. "When I close my eyes for sleep," writes a woman from Manchester, "I can see pictures. They are always calm, peaceful, lovely... a field of waving corn, a mountain landscape, a pleasant beach... One scene dissolves into another until I fall asleep."

Recall Happy Days

PERHAPS these are real places. I know that the pictures I see when I close my eyes are real, for I have lived in them. The Danish farm and fields where I played as a boy, my homes in England, Hollywood, South Africa, my travels by ship and train and caravan, and all the friends I met on the way, are always within my reach. Bringing them back in order to enjoy them again is a faculty that I have developed, and I believe anybody can do it if he tries.

Pleasant thoughts drive away cares, and to those who ask where pleasant thoughts are to be found, I reply—in memories. Surely everybody has had happiness now and then, and however rare such moments may have been, they can always be recaptured and treasured, to become joys for ever.

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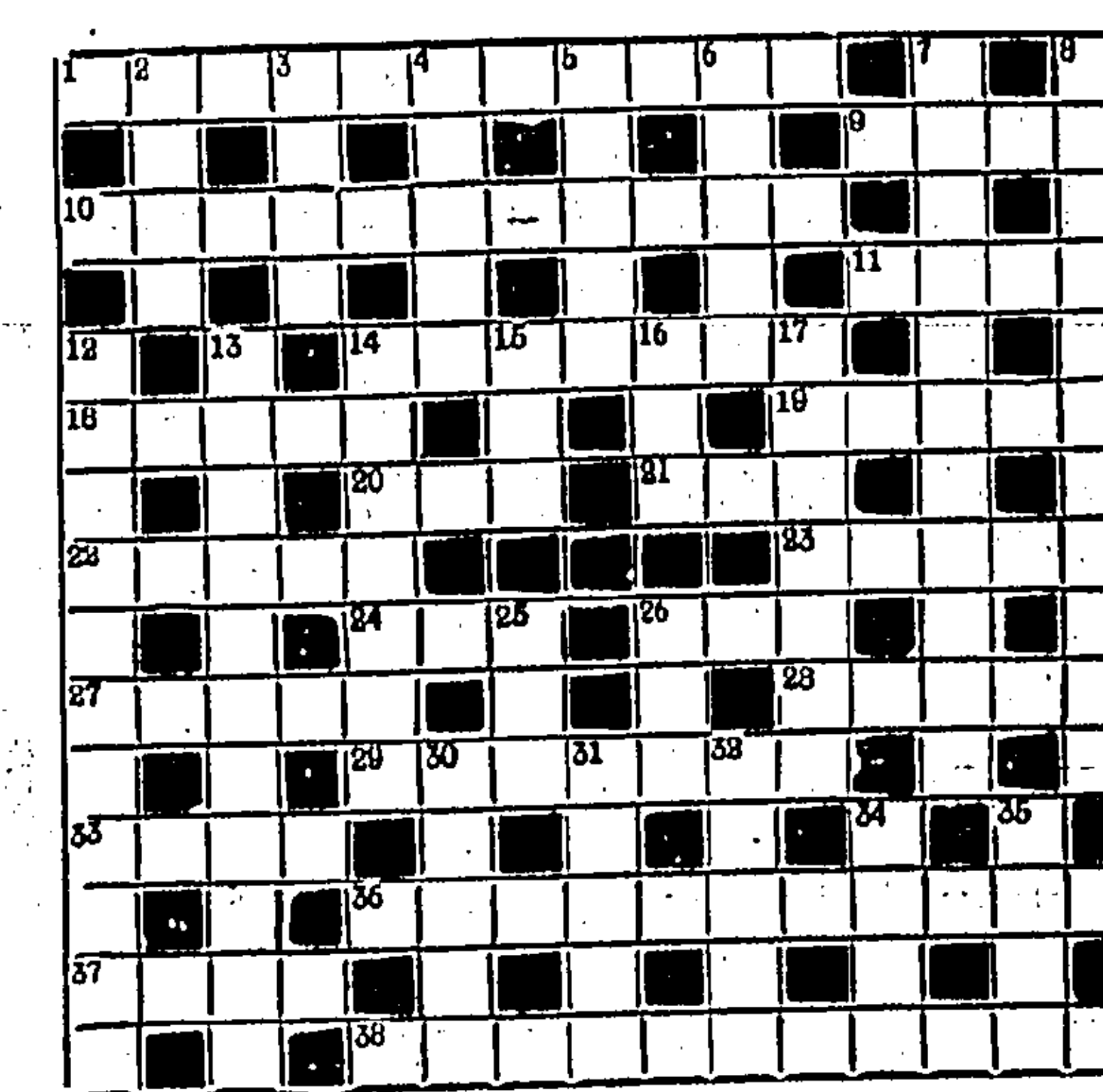
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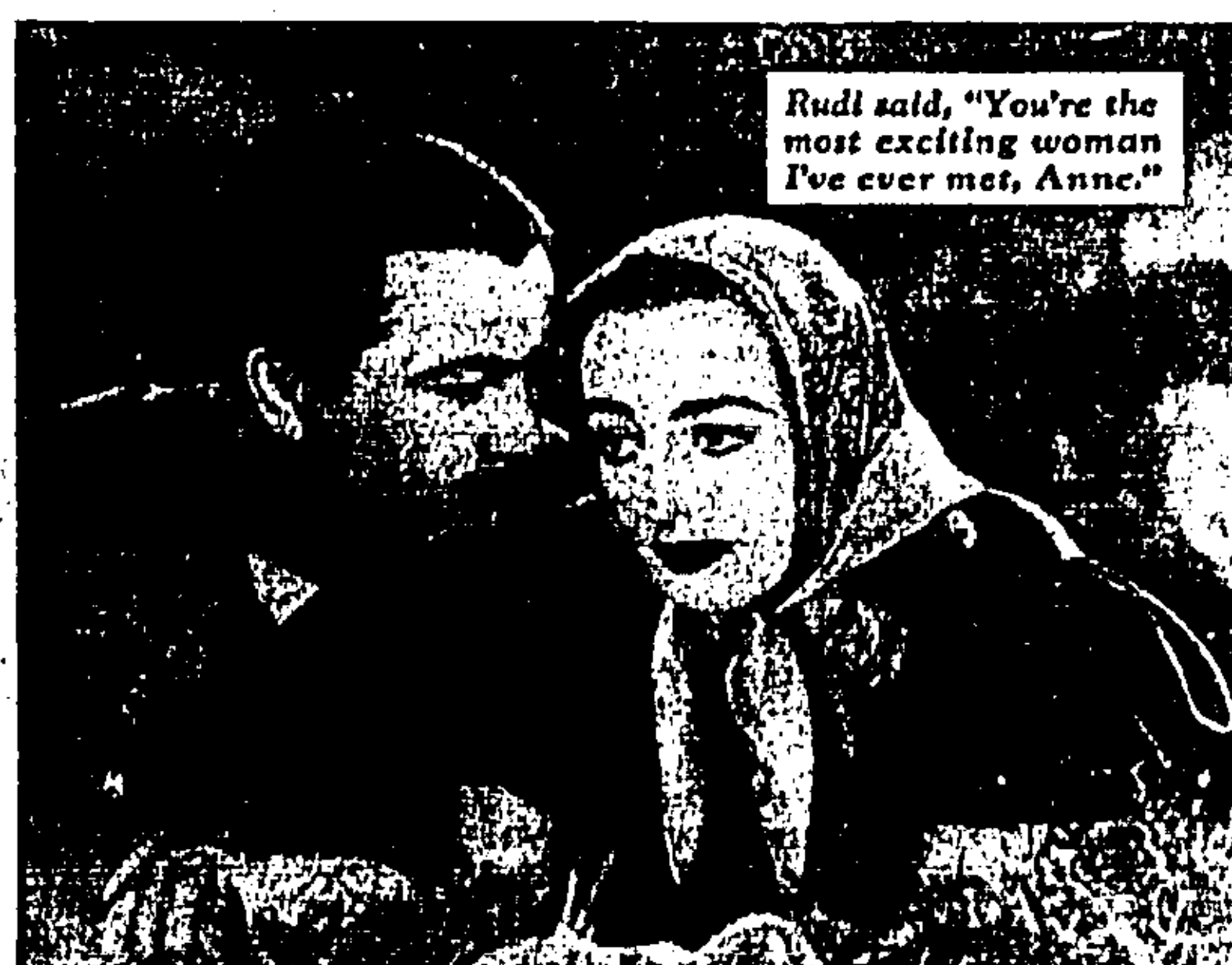


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1 Vexatious advice to give annoyance (11).
9 If this were bigger it might be a cape (4).
10 Trying indeed (11).
11 A lady of little worth in the East (4).
14 The skill with which a batsman may make leg hits (7).
18 Lift (5).
19 Period (5).
20 An article, you get there by going on upwards (3).
21 Spirit (3).
22 A little fish (but we hope it did not) (5).
23 French resort (5).
24 Cut that may be a wave motion (3).
26 Away met only when joined to (3).
27 Relation (5).
28 Foster (5).
29 Kipling connected these with Fairies (7).
33 The Spanish bully of the Netherlands would have been at home in the Salvation Army (4).
30 One takes off this part of a gun before using it (11).
37 Part of the body to take care of (4).
38 A fishy pattern (11).

- DOWN
2 A dance for anglers? (4).
3 Scottish lale (4).
4 It is odd this is even either way (5).
5 Oriental shelter (5).
6 This bird is a good talker (5).
7 This land is suitable for hunting not that the pubs are never shut (two words) (4, 7).

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Rudi said, "You're the most exciting woman I've ever met, Anne."

she buried her face in her hands. Rudi was on his knees, beside her. "What is it, Anne?"

"Nothing. Just stupid..." "But something must have made you cry."

She thought achingly, "I'll be gone next week. I'll never see the pines again. I'll never see the sun rise." Her voice was tremulous. "Don't look at me, Rudi, please. My nose gets so funny when I cry. Breaking away from him she ran down the path. "Let's wash our faces in the brook."

It was a tiny little stream, very clear and zig-zagging irresponsibly among the trees. Anne dipped her face full in the sparkling water. Then she looked up and saw Rudi watching her. She could read the message of his eyes—that she was gloriously beautiful, that the drops of water on her face were so many little suns in themselves, illuminating all her loveliness.

His face was so close to hers, his unspoken words and it drew from her, the response she had been waiting to make. Every gesture was superb as she began to speak. "Such a gloomy face. Have I made you sad, Rudi?" He shook his head. Ah, he knew that she would soon be leaving and it was making him sad, think, "Come, dip your face into the brook. It's a magic brook. It washes away your sadness and leaves drops of happiness all over you."

"Come and sit beside me, Anne," he said quietly. With charming obedience she walked to his side and settled herself on the ground.

He burst out savagely. "Anne, I can't make you out. At the hotel, at tea, at dinner or when we dance you're like everyone else. More beautiful, more poised perhaps, but you're the most exciting woman I've ever met, Anne."

"What's the use of avoiding it?" he demanded roughly. He had her in his arms, his face buried in her bronze tresses of hair. Then he held her off, "What's the use of not saying what you mean? Whether it's now or ten minutes from now or ten hours from now, I don't want you to go away, Anne. I don't want to be here or anywhere else without you."

She said, infinitely, "You're engaged to be married to Maddelena. There was a man here below as the others came into view. She turned. "It's your problem, Rudi. You'll have to face it. There, she thought, she was playing her part. "Come on down," the Admiral shouted. "The morning mail's here."

As they strolled across the lawn, Maddelena turned. "Please hurry. We'll miss Gullie giving out the mail."

Her palms were moist and her color unnaturally high as she rejoined the group.

"Are we ready for breakfast?" she asked. "I'm starved."

The Admiral stared at her incredulously. "But aren't you going to read your letter?" Evidently, it was the custom to take one's morning mail seriously at Torrence.

Anni made of her laugh a light and airy bubble. "Never on an empty stomach."

"It might be important," the Countess suggested significantly.

Anni had a flash of inspiration. The Countess hated her, was her enemy. After these past ten days, that was quite clear. It did not matter from whom the letter came, Anne decided. She would have her moment of triumph. "From Anni," she said. "Oh, it's probably just full of gossip."

Maddelena made an excited exclamation. "Please read it, Anne."

What does he have to say?" She was in for it. To refuse Maddelena's request, would appear boorish. But her eyes dilated as she drew the cheap white paper from its envelope and read in an illiterate scrawling hand: "Hoy Anni, just to remind you that the bar is going strong and we miss you. Sophie finally hit her husband with a lamp and she got two years hard labor. How are you getting on with the high life? Well, I have a good laugh when you get back. Bella."

"Anything interesting?" Rudi asked.

Only her eyes showed the strain as she glanced up. Her lips were smiling. "The same old Armalia gossip, as much of it as he thinks I should know. He wants to be numbered to all of you. His especial regards to you, Rudi, and to the Countess."

Anni heard the silence spin. But her voice was steady as she replied, "He couldn't possibly. Not after all the wonderful things I've written to him about you. The tension was growing within her. Suppose you all go in to breakfast. I'll join you in just a few moments."

She stood there, frozen, as they trailed away. Then, suddenly, she cried the letter. On gasping feet, she moved across the terrace and down the lawn to a leaf-covered arbor.

There she must think, think. First there had been Maria. And now, this letter. It was a miracle that they hadn't glimpsed the stationery. One no longer knew and she would be ruined. There must be a way, there would have to be, of bringing things to a head.

Yes, Rudi, the Cordillera Bar. There was no middle path.

(Anni finds her plan near fulfillment but there are over-present dangers. Will the Countess uncover her real identity? Be sure to read tomorrow's revealing installment.)

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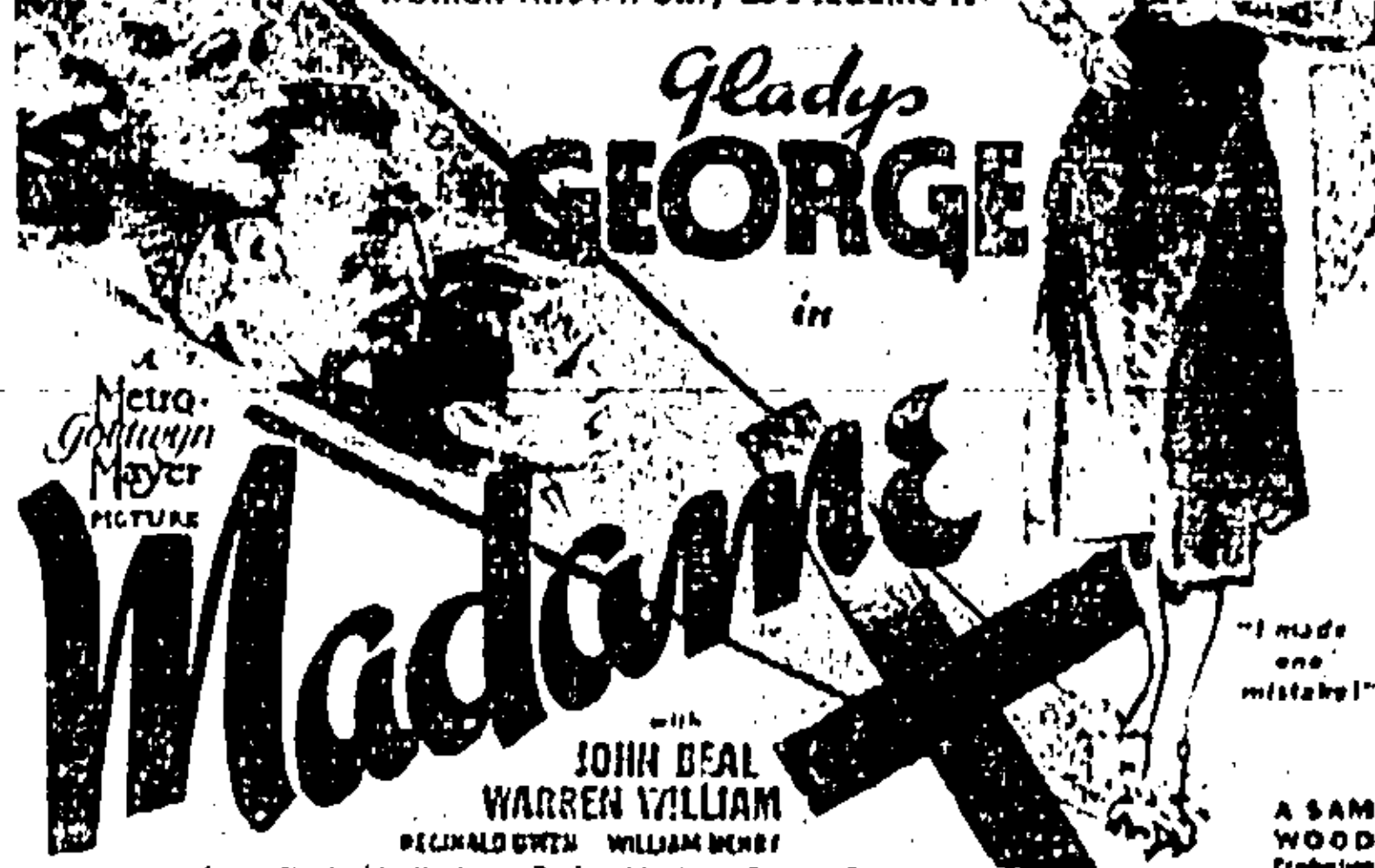
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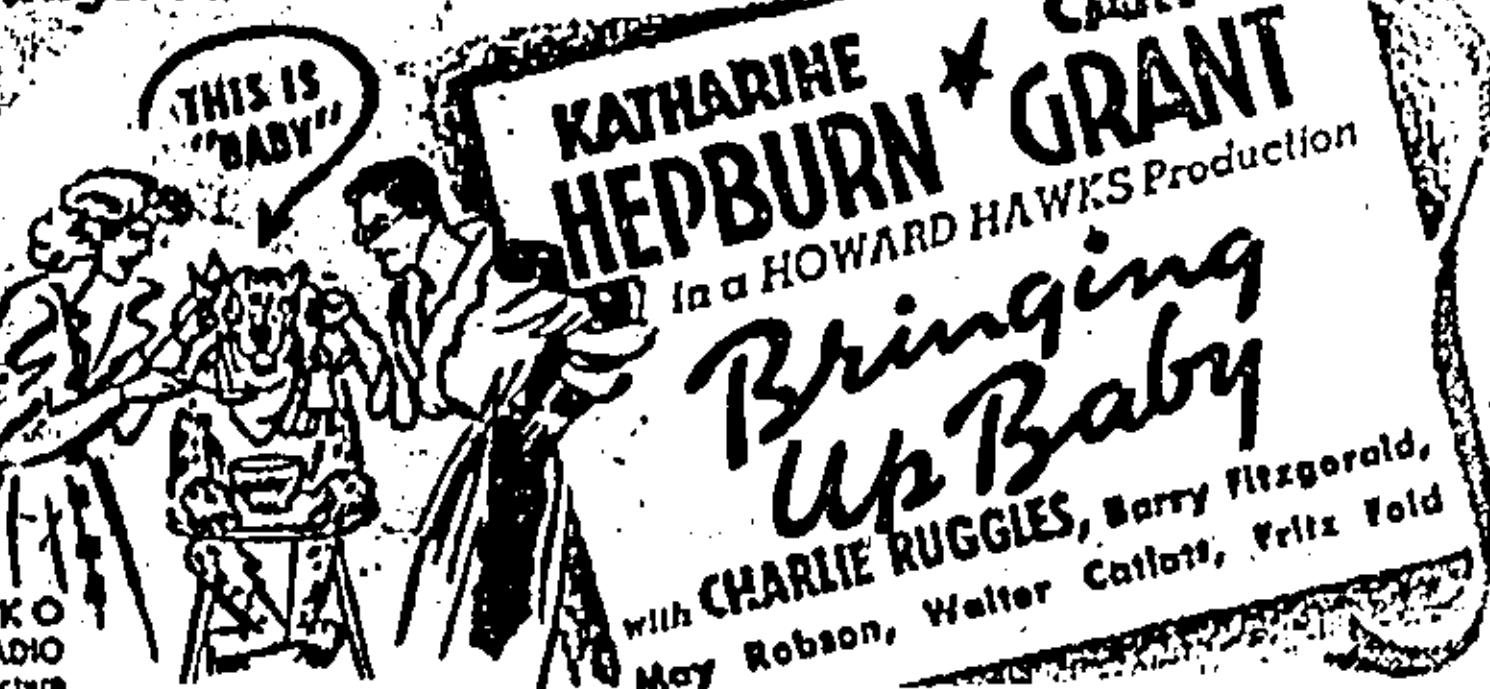
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Hongkong Man Weds In Kuala Lumpur

Kuala Lumpur, April 4. Two people well-known in Malaya were married in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. Alan J. Pringle yesterday. The wedding was that of Miss Hilda Ninnies, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Ninnies, of Melbourne, Victoria, and Mr. Lloyd Aris, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Aris, formerly of Hongkong. The bride was formerly in the Medical Unit, Singapore. The bridegroom, an engineer, has been in Hongkong and Malaya for the last ten years. Miss Ninnies' bridal dress was of white moire taffeta, on regal lines, with a stiffened draped collar and lily of the valley trimming, and long tight sleeves with pointed cuffs. Her sister, Mrs. D. G. Hallam, as matron of honour, was dressed in powder-blue georgette.

Ambassador Leaving Chungking

Chungking, Apr. 14. Accompanied by his wife and suite, Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr leaves Chungking to-day on the first stage of his return journey to Shanghai. The party is sailing by steamer to Ichang, from where it will fly to Hankow. The Chinese warmly greeted Sir Archibald's speech delivered at the ceremony in which he submitted his credentials. In addition to presenting letters of credence, Sir Archibald presented a letter recalling his predecessor, Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen, who was wounded by the Japanese, and who, Sir Archibald declared, wished to express his regrets that he had been unable to take leave of the President, Mr. Lin Sen in person.—Reuter.

NO WORD OF ANY ANGLO-GERMAN CONVERSATIONS

London, Apr. 13. Asked whether the Government proposed to resume conversations with the German Government, the Prime Minister in the House of Commons to-day said: "I have at present no statement to make on this subject." Mr. A. Duff-Cooper, First Lord of the Admiralty, replying to Mr. A. V. Alexander (Labour) said he had received a report that a fortified naval base was being established at the island of Sylt, on the west coast of Schleswig. The Admiralty had considered all the implications arising from the new development.—Reuter.

CREDIT EXPANSION INDICATED

Washington, Apr. 13. While Mr. Marriner S. Eccles told the House Banking Committee that de-stabilisation would be psychologically inflationary, Wall Street experts drew attention to the developments, pointing out that the release of inactive gold into the credit structure would increase the surplus banking reserves, thus exerting a renewed force for the expansion of credits.—Reuter.

MALAYAN MINERS CONCERNED

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 13. European and Chinese tin producers in Malaya have requested the High Commissioner to cable the Colonial Office to grant a substantial increase in the tonnage allotted to Malaya by the International Tin Committee.—Reuter Bulletin.

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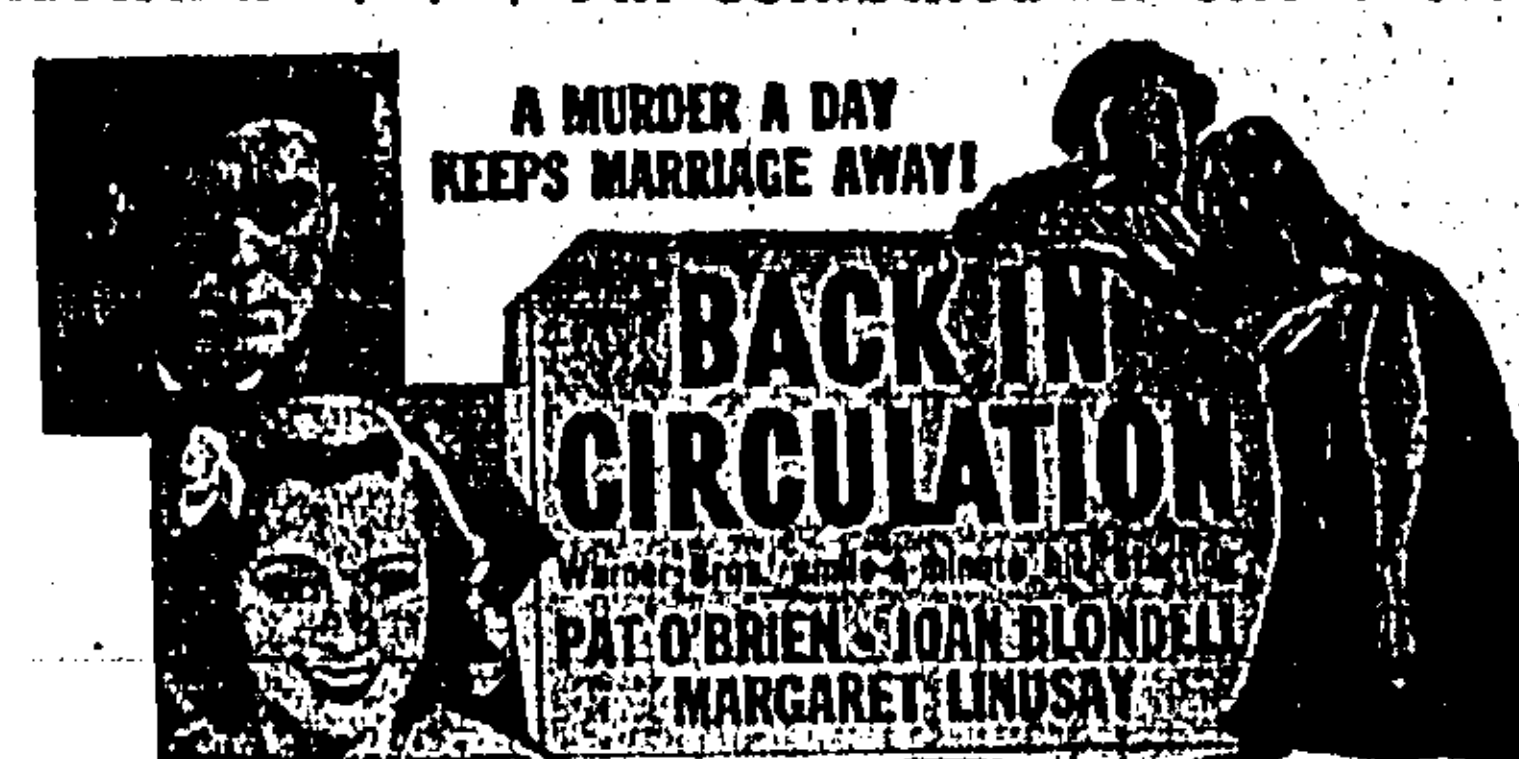
CHINESE ATTACK WUHU AIRDROME

Chengyangkwan, April 14. Chinese plainclothes men launched a surprise attack on the Japanese aerodrome at Wuhu on April 12. Fighting is still in progress around that area.—Central News.

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London, Apr. 13,

The Insurgent advance towards the east coast of the Mediterranean is at present slowed down by the strong Government resistance along the Insurgents' original line of advance near Tortosa, which the Loyalists are still vigorously defending.

A Loyalist *communiqué* from Barcelona states that their troops are meeting with success near Lerida, where the Government forces are staging counter-attacks.

The Insurgents are now attempting to break through to the Mediterranean coast further north of Tortosa. Should they succeed that will be able to cut the line of communications between Barcelona and Valencia.—*Reuter Bulletin.*

12 Miles From The Coast

Hendaye, Apr. 13. Renewing their drive to isolate Barcelona, the Insurgents reached a point to-day 12 miles from the sea near San Mateo, south of Tortosa, despite strong resistance by the Loyalists.

It was announced that they occupied the towns of Cull and Chert, within two miles of San Mateo, advancing on a 10-mile front.

In the north the Insurgents claimed to have stopped a strong Loyalist offensive in the Balaguer sector.—*United Press.*

UNITED STATES SHOWS LARGE DEFICIT

Washington, April 13. According to the Treasury's daily statement issued on April 11, the Federal gross deficit was U.S.\$109,646,724.—*United Press.*

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Hongkong Man Weds In Kuala Lumpur

Kuala Lumpur, April 4. Two people well-known in Malaya were married in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. Alan J. Pringle yesterday. The wedding was that of Miss Hilda Nines, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Nines, of Melbourne, Victoria, and Mr. Lloyd Aris, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Aris, formerly of Hongkong.

The bride was formerly in the Medical Hall, Singapore. The bridegroom, an engineer, has been in Hongkong and Malaya for the last ten years.

Miss Nines' bridal dress was of white moire, tulle, on regal lines, with a stiffened draped collar and lily of the valley trimming, and long light sleeves with pointed cuffs.

Her sister, Mrs. D. G. Halliday, matron of honour, was dressed in powder-blue georgette.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

Banks
H.K. Banks, \$1,535 sa.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), £92 n.
Chartered Banks, £124 n.
Mercantile Bank, £124 n.
Mercantile Bank, £124 n.
East Asia Bank, \$85 n.

Insurance
Canton Ins., \$275 sa.
Union Ins., \$220 b.
China Underwriters, \$2.15 b. and sa.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$233 n.

Shipping
Douglas, \$85 sa.
H.K. Steamships, \$21 b.
Indo-China (Prof.), \$51 n.
Indo-China (Def.), \$24 n.
Shell Bearer, \$57 1/2 n.
Union Waterboats, \$8.00 n.

Docks etc.
H.K. & W. Wharves, \$131 1/2 n.
H.K. & W. Docks, \$21.70 n. & X. Rts.
H.K. & W. Docks (new), \$21 n.
H.K. & W. Docks, \$21 n.
Providents (old), \$37.70 n.
Providents (new), \$34 n.
New Engineering, Sh. \$4.05 n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$98 n.
Kaian Mining Adm., 15/- n.
Raffles, \$84 b.
Venz: Goldfield, \$4 n.
Hongkong Mines, 10 cts. n.

Philippines Mining
Antamoks, P. 49 1/2 sa.
Atoks, P. 23 sa.
Bagulo Gold, P. 20 sa.
Banguet Consol., P. 0.40 sa.
Banguet Explor., —
Big Wedge, P. —
Coco Proves, P. 45 1/2 sa.
Consolidated Mines, P. 0.11 sa.
Demonstrations, P. 33 1/2 sa.
E. Mindanao, P. —
Gumaus G'fields, P. —
Ipo Gold, P. —
I.X.L., P. 67 sa.
Itogons, P. —
Masbate Consols., P. —
Min. Resources, P. —
Northern Min., P. —
Paracale Gumaus, P. 18 sa.
Salacot Mining, P. —
San Mauricio, P. 42 sa.
Suyoc Consol., P. 15 1/2 sa.
United Paracale, P. 41 sa.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$6.40 b.
H.K. Lands, \$35 1/2 b.
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben \$100 1/4 b.
Shui Lands, Sh. \$9 n.
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. —
Humphries, \$9 b.
H.K. Realities, \$5.20 n.
Chinese Estates, \$98 n.
China Realities, Sh. —
China Deben, —

Public Utilities
H.K. Tramways, \$15.80 b.
Peak Trams (old), \$7 b.
Peak Trams (new), \$34 n.
Star Ferry, \$80 1/2 n.
Yaumati Ferry, (old), \$20 1/2 n.
China Light (old), \$11.85 b.
China Light (new), \$9 n.
H.K. Electric, \$59 1/2 b.
Macao Electric, \$18 n.
Sendokan Lights, \$14 1/2 n.
Telephone (old), \$20 1/4 b.
Telephone (new), \$10 1/4 b.
China Buses, Sh. —
Singapore Tractors, 25/- n.
Singapore Prof., 25/- n.

Industrials
Cold: Maca, (old), Sh. \$14 1/4 n.
Cold: Maca, (Prof.), Sh. \$12 1/4 n.
Canton Ices, \$1.70 n.
Cement, \$17 b.
H.K. Ropes, \$4 1/2 b.

Stores, &c.
Dairy Farm, \$24 1/2 n.
Watson, \$67 n.
Lane Crawford, \$9 1/4 b.
Sinceres, \$2.20 n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$49 n.
William Powell, Ltd., 70 cts. n.

Cotton Mills
Ewo Cotton, Sh. \$14 n.
Shui Cotton (old), Sh. \$74 n.
Zong Sing, \$85 b.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. —

Miscellaneous
H.K. Entertainments, \$64 n.
Constructions, \$1 1/4 b.
Vibro Piling, \$5 1/4 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 GSBds, 77 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6% prm. n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan 2% prm. b.

Wallace Harpers, \$12 1/4 n.
Maramans Ins. (Lon.), s/- 12/6 n.
Maramans Ins. (H.K.), s/- 3/10 b.

MALAYAN MINERS CONCERNED

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 13. European and Chinese tin producers in Malaya have requested the High Commissioner to cable the Colonial Office to grant a substantial increase in the tonnage allotted to Malaya by the International Tin Committee.—*Reuter Bulletin.*

RACING NOTES BY "CAPTAIN FOSTER"

(Continued from Page 8.)

Golden Cow out of the contest, the order of the finish should be Fel Ying, Shurybdis and Cuban Love and a lot depends upon the jockeys. Cape Comorin, Dekko, Lancashire Chap, Lucky Eleven, Sahara Star, Stymie and Wenning are all worthy of an investment of a five dollar bill each way.

A BIG FIELD IS LIKELY

The Callopo Handicap for 'B' class Australian ponies over six furlongs will certainly draw a big field and I expect to see the following line-up:

A. Greave Time S. C. Liang
Annabella H. C. Pih
Aztec or Bag Tor C. L. Gregory
Centre Court T. T. Tani
Derby Day B. L. Tao
Dick Turpin C. Encarnacao
Katinka Y. V. Needa
Little Audrey D. Black
Lucky Lad W. Poy
Vixen Tor D. Proulx

Katinka started only once this season and her successful outing in the Bendigo Stakes over a mile was nicely handled by her old partner, Mr. L. P. Ralph, who has gone home on leave. The mount has been entrusted to Mr. Needa and the combination does not require any introduction. Katinka is a fast lady over this jaunt, but she has to keep a wicked eye on Vixen Tor who is in fine fettle. When they met in the Bendigo Stakes, the difference of weight was only three pounds, but on Saturday Vixen Tor has a pull of 10 lbs. Among the greenhorns, Annabella, Little Audrey and Lucky Lad are about the best and they all have a stiff proposition to upset the apple-cart.

SMILING THRU REAL DANGER IN THIS RACE

Miss Pamela Scott Harston, after having collected a first prize of \$450 won by Valorous in the Swallow Handicap, has either sold or leased her place to the stable, Hoelie, side, but Valorous (Mr. Y. T. Fung) has some burden to think about in the Taiwan Bay Handicap (first section) for "D" class China ponies over a course from the two mile post, once round and in. Election Time (Mr. A. W. Raymond) is on the back mark and should the mare reproduce her Macao form, she should give a good account of herself. Plain View (Mr. Pih) ran well at the last outing, but Whalsey (Mr. Proulx) has been penalised only a pound for capturing the Northern Stakes at the February session. The latter is well tuned to concert pitch and can last the distance. Smiling Thru (Mr. Encarnacao) is the real danger for he ran a good third behind Panchet and Louis XIV in the Tytan Handicap "A" division when the mile was covered in 2:03.2/5 which was undoubtedly fast for subscription ponies.

THE LAST RACE

The official handicapper has assigned 14 China ponies to the last event, the Taiwan Bay Handicap (second section) for "D" class over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in, and Diogenes and Gold Coin are at the top of the assessment. On the strength of his fine performance at the last meeting, Golden Cow is only three pounds behind the top-weighters and it is extremely difficult to gauge his run against Diogenes and Gold Coin for they have never met before. Good Morning and Racing Boy are near the bottom of the ladder with Tempest at the lowest, namely 147 lbs. The weight controller has in the ordinary routine of his official capacity allotted each entry with a certain amount of the avoidpols, but it would take a clever mathematician to follow up his line of conduct. The publication of the training times can only be used as a guide to convey that so-called pony was in condition, but it does not tell the rail birds what weight he or she was carrying in the trail. If we can attach any importance, then Good Morning and Tempest's gallop of last Saturday over a mile in 2:14.2/5 must bring the two steeds to the post first locked together. With a little knowledge of their past performances, I give my prerogative to Tempest and we shall see how it works out on Saturday.

CHINA RECOGNISES "ANSCHLUSS"

Berlin, Apr. 13. The Chinese Ambassador has informed the Foreign Office that China has decided to recognise the *anschluss*, and will replace its Legation with a Consulate-General.—*Reuter.*

Ambassador Leaving Chungking

Chungking, Apr. 14. Accompanied by his wife and suite, Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr leaves Chungking to-day on the first stage of his return journey to Shanghai. The party is sailing by steamer to Ichang, from where it will fly to Hankow.

The Chinese warmly greeted Sir Archibald's speech delivered at the ceremony in which he submitted his credentials. In addition to presenting letters of credence, Sir Archibald presented a letter recalling his predecessor, Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen, who was wounded by the Japanese, and who, Sir Archibald declared, wished to express his regrets that he had been unable to take leave of the President, Mr. Lin Sen in person.—*Reuter.*

BANK PASSES BIG DIVIDEND

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, was held at Winchester House, Old Broad Street, London, on March 29.

The general balance sheet and statement of profit and loss account for the year ending December 31, 1937, submitted by the Directors to the shareholders, read as follows:

"The balance of profit and loss account for year amounts to £183,497 5s. 1d. and the amount available after adding £17,029 7s. 9d. brought forward from last account is £200,526 12s. 10d. From this sum has to be deducted £63,000, being the interim dividend of six per cent, less income tax on the "A," "B" and "C" shares, paid in September last.

"The directors have added £12,000 to the Officers' Pension Fund, written over a course from the two mile post, once round and in. Election Time (Mr. A. W. Raymond) is on the back mark and should the mare reproduce her Macao form, she should give a good account of herself. Plain View (Mr. Pih) ran well at the last outing, but Whalsey (Mr. Proulx) has been penalised only a pound for capturing the Northern Stakes at the February session. The latter is well tuned to concert pitch and can last the distance. Smiling Thru (Mr. Encarnacao) is the real danger for he ran a good third behind Panchet and Louis XIV in the Tytan Handicap "A" division when the mile was covered in 2:03.2/5 which was undoubtedly fast for subscription ponies.

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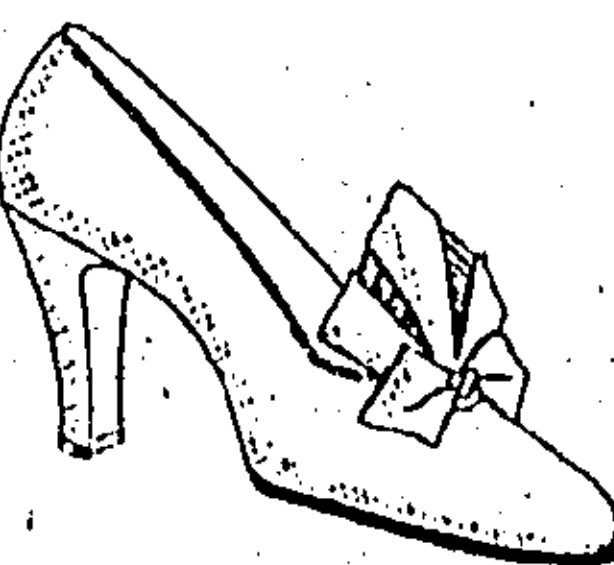
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MEXICO REJECTS BRITISH DEMAND

Expropriation Of Oil Lands In Public Interest

Note Regarded As "Protest"

Mexico City, April 13. President Cardenas' reply refusing the British Government's request to return the expropriated oil properties, states that expropriation was carried out on the ground of public interest. The Mexican Government could not admit that the severity of the measure was disproportionate to the exigencies of the situation.

The note vigorously denies the British Government statement that the expropriation had a political character, and adds that the Mexican Eagle Company, as a national entity, was subject to the laws of Mexico, and was not entitled to redress by foreign diplomatic intervention.

The Mexican Government regards the British note simply as a protest. The note alleges that the action of foreign oil companies constituted a contempt of court in face of the decision of the highest tribunal in the land (this refers to the upholding by the Supreme Court of the Mexico Labour Board's ruling against the companies). The Mexican Government's failure to promote an understanding was due to the companies' resistance and the claims of economic incapacity to pay the amounts given against them by the High Court. The principal purpose of the resistance was to cause the Mexican Government economic and political difficulties.

DETERMINED TO PAY
The note concludes by pointing out that Mexico's determination to pay for the expropriated properties has been publicly declared throughout the world. Mexico's capacity to pay is a real and certain fact, therefore it cannot be said that there has been either a denial of justice, or a breach of the principles of international law. A New York despatch says that according to the New York Times negotiations between Mr. F. W. Rickett and the Mexican Government, which have been progressing with the object of Mr. Rickett purchasing the majority of the oil fields on behalf of American and British interests, have been definitely dropped. —Reuter.

JAPANESE HOLD ON NORTH CHINA AREAS PRECARIOUS

Hankow, April 14.

Japan's precarious hold on North China was revealed by a military expert, who has just returned from an adventurous trip to northern Hopei, northern Shansi, and southern Suiyuan.

Despite her early military successes, Japan's actual gains in this vast territory, the expert stated, are merely empty, walled cities and highways and railways, three or four miles from which are Chinese forces which have sworn not to cross the Yellow River but to remain and carry on the fight.

In 17 less densely-populated districts in northern Hopei, including Kaoyang, Ankao, Tacheng, Wenan and Hsinchen, which are bounded by the Peiping-Hankow Railway on the west, the Tientsin-Pukow Railway on the east, the Tangchow-Shih-chiawang highway on the south, and the Tientsin-Paoing highway on the north, the people are still able to live in peace. Not a single Japanese soldier is seen in these districts, where the Chinese farmers have armed themselves to protect their land and homes, the expert asserted.

In 27 districts in the mountainous region on the Hopei-Shansi-Suiyuan border, bound by the Peiping-Hankow, Peiping-Suiyuan, Tatung-Pukow and Chengtai Railways, fewer than a dozen of them are occupied by small groups of Japanese who confine themselves to their fortresses in the walled cities on account of the frequent surprise attacks from the Chinese.

Even in eastern Hopei there are 10 Chinese mobile units, which, supported by the peasants, have constantly harassed the Japanese along the Peiping-Liaoning Railway.

During the past four months, the expert disclosed, the Japanese forces in North China have, at one time or another, attempted to "annihilate" the Chinese troops and mobile units in these regions. Immediately after they occupied Taiyuan, they sent 20,000 troops to conduct "mopping up" operations in the border regions of Shansi, Suiyuan and Hopei, but their campaign has been fruitless so far.

Irregulars were then organised by the invaders to fight the Chinese troops, who were entrenched in valleys and in the hills. However, these irregulars have been of little use to the Japanese who have found them "insincere" and disloyal, and are therefore afraid to arm them. —Central News.

Shots Fired At Danish Minister Found "Blanks"

Copenhagen, Apr. 13. It is learned that the shots which were fired at the Minister of Justice in the House of Parliament were blank cartridges.

When the Minister of Justice, was making a speech in the Lower House, it is understood that a Nazi youth, sitting in the Visitors' Gallery, rose and fired two shots at the Minister without effect.

Later the police arrested a number of youths, including the suspected "assassin." —Reuter Bulletin.

OPIUM FOUND IN PRESERVED FRUIT

Revenue Officers on duty on the Sheung Wan Wharf, Connaught Road West, yesterday, discovered that some preserved fruits carried by a man named Cheung Choi, 30, contained opium.

Arrested, Cheung was to-day fined \$20 or three weeks' hard labour when he was charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy with unlawful possession of raw opium, worth \$4.

SOON TO WED

The forthcoming wedding is announced by Mr. Joseph Turner, linen manufacturer, c/o P. O. Box 95, Swatow, and Miss Geneva Margaret Dye, medical missionary doctor, of Bixby Memorial Hospital, Kityang, via Swatow.

ROOSEVELT DEFENDS TAX BILLS

Demands Senate Be Over-Ridden

Washington, April 13.

Urging retention of the principle of the undistributed profits tax, which the Senate eliminated, and the removal of the Senate's modifications of the capital gains tax, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, in a letter to Senator Pat Harrison and Representative Robert L. Doughton, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation, said:

"Modifications are shown by experience to be desirable, and particularly exemption of small corporations should be made. The principle of the undistributed profits tax, is sound and should be retained."

Senator Harrison said: "The President is entitled to his views. The views expressed in this letter do not coincide with the overwhelming sentiment of the Senate."

President Roosevelt applauded the House of Representatives' provisions for the undistributed profits tax, saying: "Business will be helped, not hurt, by these suggestions." —United Press.

"PUMP-PRIMING" IN U.S.

Washington, Apr. 13.

After a conference with his economic advisers, President F. D. Roosevelt, it is understood, decided on "pump-priming," including a vote of \$1,500,000,000 for public work and \$1,250,000,000 for relief work for the first seven months of the next fiscal year. On the other hand, there is \$1,500,000,000 for R.F.C. loans to States, municipalities and business houses, \$50,000,000 for the retention of the Civilian Conservation Corps Camps, and also rural relief appropriations. Thus the total outlay will reach \$5,000,000,000. —Reuter.

MINIMUM WAGE AND HOUR BILL

Washington, Apr. 13.

Representative Mary T. Norton today presented to the House a Labour Wage and Hour Bill, to establish a 40 cents an hour minimum wage, and a 40 hour maximum week.

Meanwhile Mr. John Lewis, leader of the Committee of Industrial Organisation, has demanded that the Administration provide the leadership to break the deadlock over the wage and hour controversy. —United Press.

CARRIED ORE IN FALSE WAISTCOATS

A man and a woman were this morning fined by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy for importing unmanifested cargo, wolfram ore, into Hongkong. Both of them were arrested on ships and the ore was found concealed in false waistcoats. Each was fined \$10.

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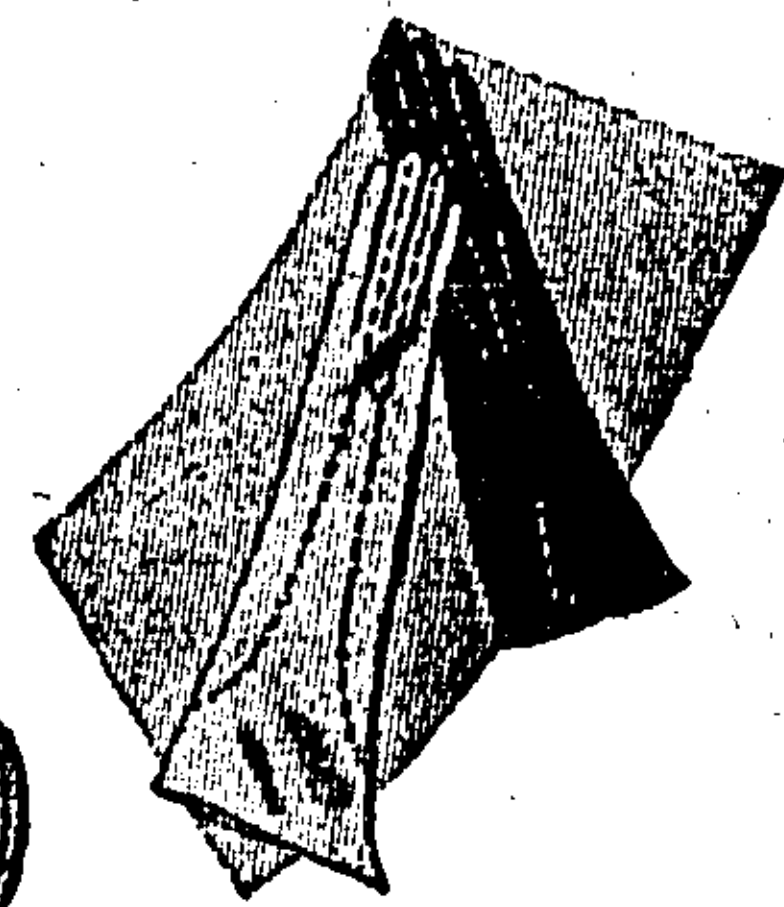
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Witnesses Say Officer Hit Sailor

Deck Boy Charged
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Charged with causing grievous bodily harm to Mr. G. T. Gray, second officer of the Japanese Prince, on board ship Monday afternoon, Mohamed Amin Bin a Jalli, 19, deck-boy, appeared on remand before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Inspector A. Wright, who prosecuted, said that Mr. Gray, who suffered a stab wound on the left shoulder, was still confined to hospital. The Japanese Prince was expected to sail to-night or to-morrow, and he asked if the evidence of members of the crew would be taken by the Court. His Worship said he would hear the evidence, and the assistant Malay boatman of the vessel said he heard the second officer scolding the deck-boy as the ship was docking at Tai-koo Dockyard on Monday. At first the deck-boy kept quiet, but when Mr. Gray again scolded him, and struck him in the face with his fist, Mohamed pulled a knife from his girdle and struck the second officer on the left shoulder with it.

Prior to the incident, said the boatman, the crew was engaged in coiling wire as the ship berthed, and he thought the reason the deck-boy was scolded because he had been slow. Witness said that it was usual for Malay sailors to carry a knife when at work.

A Malay seaman also said he heard Mr. Gray scolding Mohamed, and later saw him strike him. He declared he did not see the attack by the deck-boy on the officer.

The case was then adjourned again to Monday, April 18.

Chamberlain Evasive

Dodges Question On
Abyssinia Issue

London, Apr. 13. The Labour Opposition leader Mr. C. Attlee, in a private notice question to the Prime Minister, asked whether any communication had been received from the Secretary-General of the League of Nations with reference to the request of the British Government that the consequences arising out of the existing situation in Ethiopia should be placed on the agenda of the Council of the League of Nations meeting next month, and whether the Prime Minister would give an undertaking that the Government would act in conformity with the resolutions passed by the Assembly of the League, relating to non-recognition of conquests by aggression.

Mr. Chamberlain replied: "The answer to the first part of the question is that the Secretary-General had addressed no communication to the Government on this subject. The second part of the question does not therefore arise. With regard to the last part of the question the Government has in no way changed its view of the importance of the principles enunciated in the resolutions to which the honourable gentleman refers, but in their application to any case the Government must be entitled to take into account the attitude of other members of the League, and the facts of the international situation.—British Wireless.

Kindergarten Pupils Give Quaint Show

Parents Inspect
Loloma's Work

The Loloma Kindergarten held a prize-giving and parents' day this morning at the St. Andrew's Church Hall, when the school broke up for the Easter holidays.

The first part of the programme consisted of an Easter Children's Service in St. Andrew's Church, conducted by the Rev. Mr. Rosenthal.

The children and parents then went into the Hall, where, after greetings and a short prayer, the kindergarten and nursery classes sang and acted such well loved nursery rhymes as "Ride a Cock Horse" and "Baby, Baby Bunting." Little Peter Dunn played "George," Porgie, solemnly kissing each girl's hand and running away when "the boys came out to play."

The three and four-year-olds had a band of their own, but they were so busy watching each other, and enjoying themselves that the timing of "Upon Paul's Steeple" was somewhat wild. However, "Polly Put the Kettle On" went with a swing.

There was a short interval for the children to have lunch, during which time the parents were invited to inspect the work done by the pupils. Considering that the artists were between the ages of three and five years, the drawings and paintings were remarkably good.

"Songs of Spring" by all the children, were followed by play reading by Form II, and a game, "Clap, Clap, Clap" by Transition Group and Form I. The entertainment was brought to a close by the Percussion Band, conducted by little Elizabeth Mills, as "Mrs. Baton."

Mrs. D. Orr, the Headmistress then introduced Mrs. F. J. Anslow, who was better known to them by her maiden name, Miss Booker. Mrs. Anslow kindly consented to distribute the prizes to the following pupils: Form II: First in English and First in Arithmetic—Rosemary Orr; Second in English—John Peers; Second in Arithmetic—Tony Davis; Conduct—Elizabeth Mills.

Form I: First in Number and Phonics—Shirley Edwards.

Transition Stage: Greatest Progress—David Fraser.

The School will re-open on Tuesday, April 26.

ONE MAN HELD IN ATTACK CASE

Alleged to have been attacked by four men while on his way to work at the Tai-koo Dockyard last night, Cheung Hing, 49, suffered a wound in his back inflicted by some sharp weapon and was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital later, after making a report to the police.

As a result, Ng Shun, 58, a contractor's coolie, was arrested and charged before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning with cutting and wounding Cheung at Saiwanho.

On the application of Inspector A. Wright, defendant was remanded until Saturday.

PRISON TERM FOR PETTY THEFT

Sentence of four months' hard labour was imposed on Chan Hing, 24, unemployed, when he was charged before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning with the theft of nine cents from a carpenter, Lo Shiu.

Inspector A. V. Baker said a district watchman saw defendant take the money from Lo's pocket. Chan admitted two previous convictions for larceny.

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NO WORD OF ANY ANGLO-GERMAN CONVERSATIONS

London, Apr. 13. Asked whether the Government proposed to resume conversations with the German Government, the Prime Minister in the House of Commons to-day said: "I have at present no statement to make on this subject."

Mr. A. Duff-Cooper, First Lord of the Admiralty, replying to Mr. A. V. Alexander (Labour) said he had received a report that a fortified naval base was being established at the island of Sylt, on the west coast of Schleswig. The Admiralty had considered all the implications arising from the new development.—Reuter.

FRENCH MOTOR FACTORY STRIKE ENDS

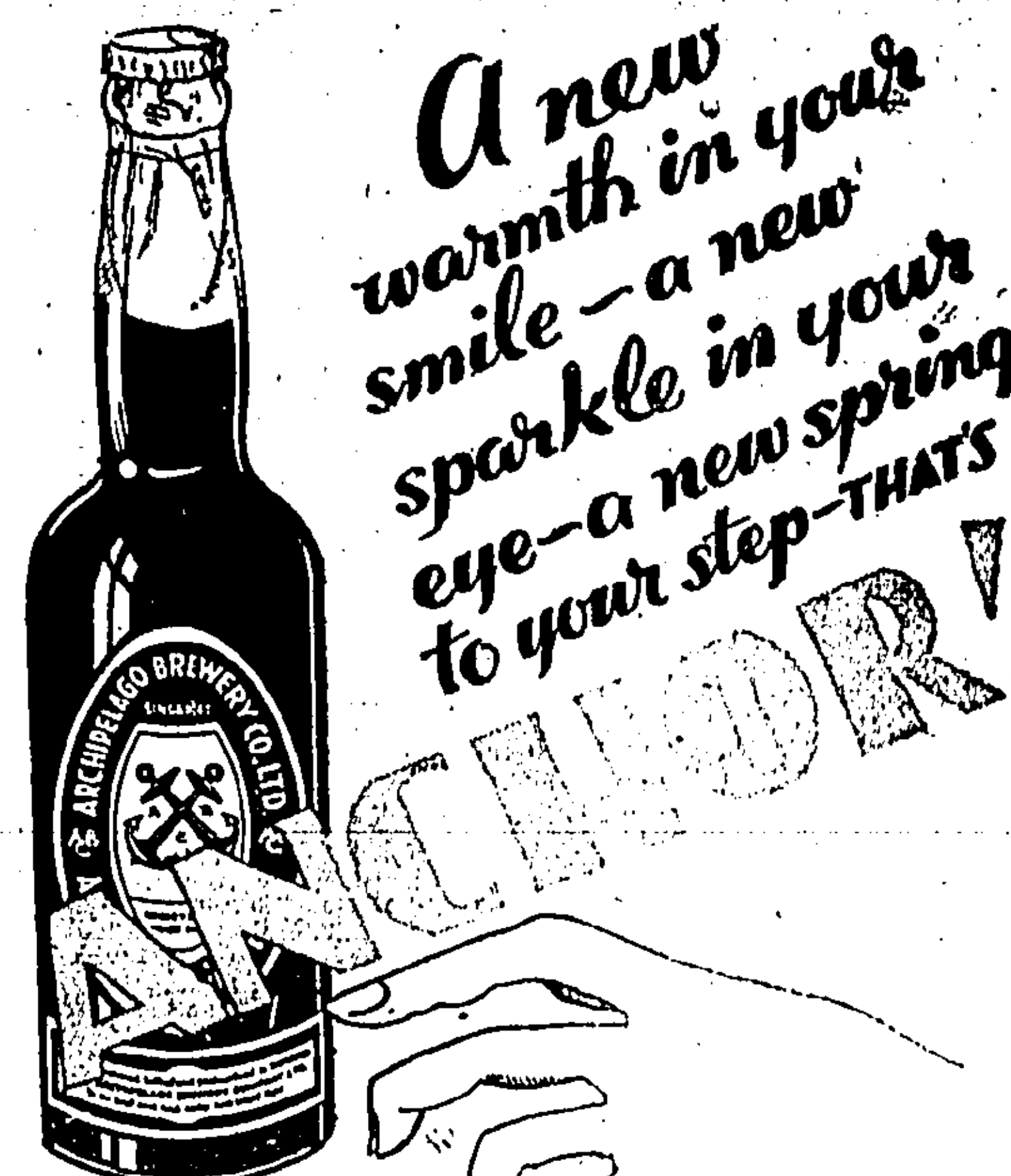
Paris, Apr. 13. The strikers in the Peugeot motor factory have returned to work.—Reuter.

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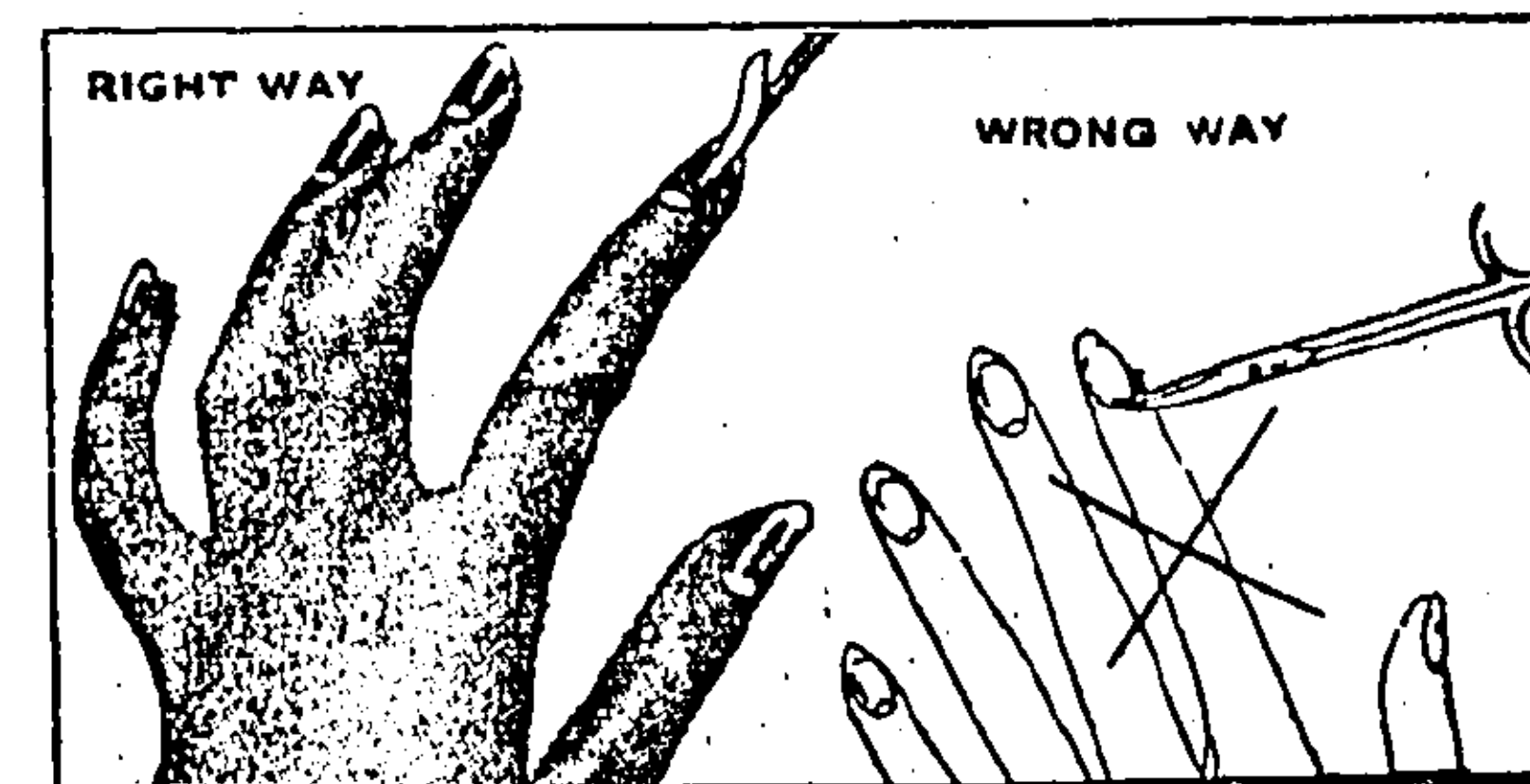
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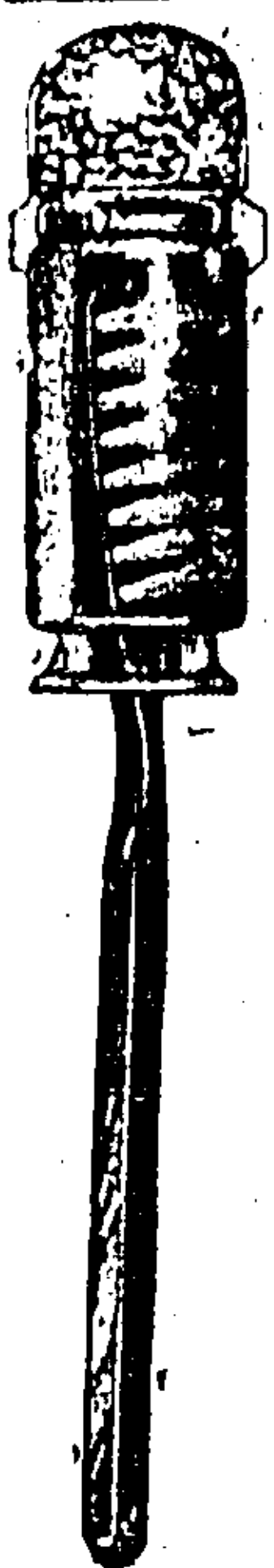


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SPECIALISING
YOUTH

There are few things upon which all persons will agree. The necessity of education is one of them. But latterly the realisation that perhaps modern education is not all that it should be, that it too frequently attempts to fit square pegs for round holes and makes a botch of it, has dawned upon a number of men and women who make a study of these things. It will readily be seen that as mankind progresses scientifically and aesthetically the need for specialisation arises if the utmost in efficiency is to be achieved. In medicine, for instance, the idea of the clinic is a more-or-less new development. The greatest surgeon may be a poorest bacteriologist. It is frequently argued that a general medical practitioner, if he is to keep abreast of research, would have no opportunity to earn a living. Consequently there is this trend of specialisation in the profession. And so it is in many other walks of life, until even the lowly fourth estate has caught the idea, and the biggest and most enterprising newspapers, those which can best afford it, have their specialists for almost all departments. The idea behind this era of specialisation may be briefly explained like this: So great is the volume of general knowledge on any subject, from literature to engineering, from farming to medicine, that young people who show an inclination for one thing or another are directed into specialised courses as soon as their groundwork makes it practicable.

Hongkong has taken a step in the right direction in the establishment of the Junior Technical School and the Trade School for engineering, wireless and building industries, whose work was reviewed so interestingly Tuesday by Mr. G. White. It is particularly gratifying that the industries which stand to benefit from the work of these institutions should have given such generous support to them in the past. And it is fitting that Government money should assist in the training of young men who will eventually serve the public of this Colony at the same time they serve themselves.

But there is one point upon which the authorities might do well to exercise the utmost caution. Even in this specialisation which the boys of the

Best Army for Britain—

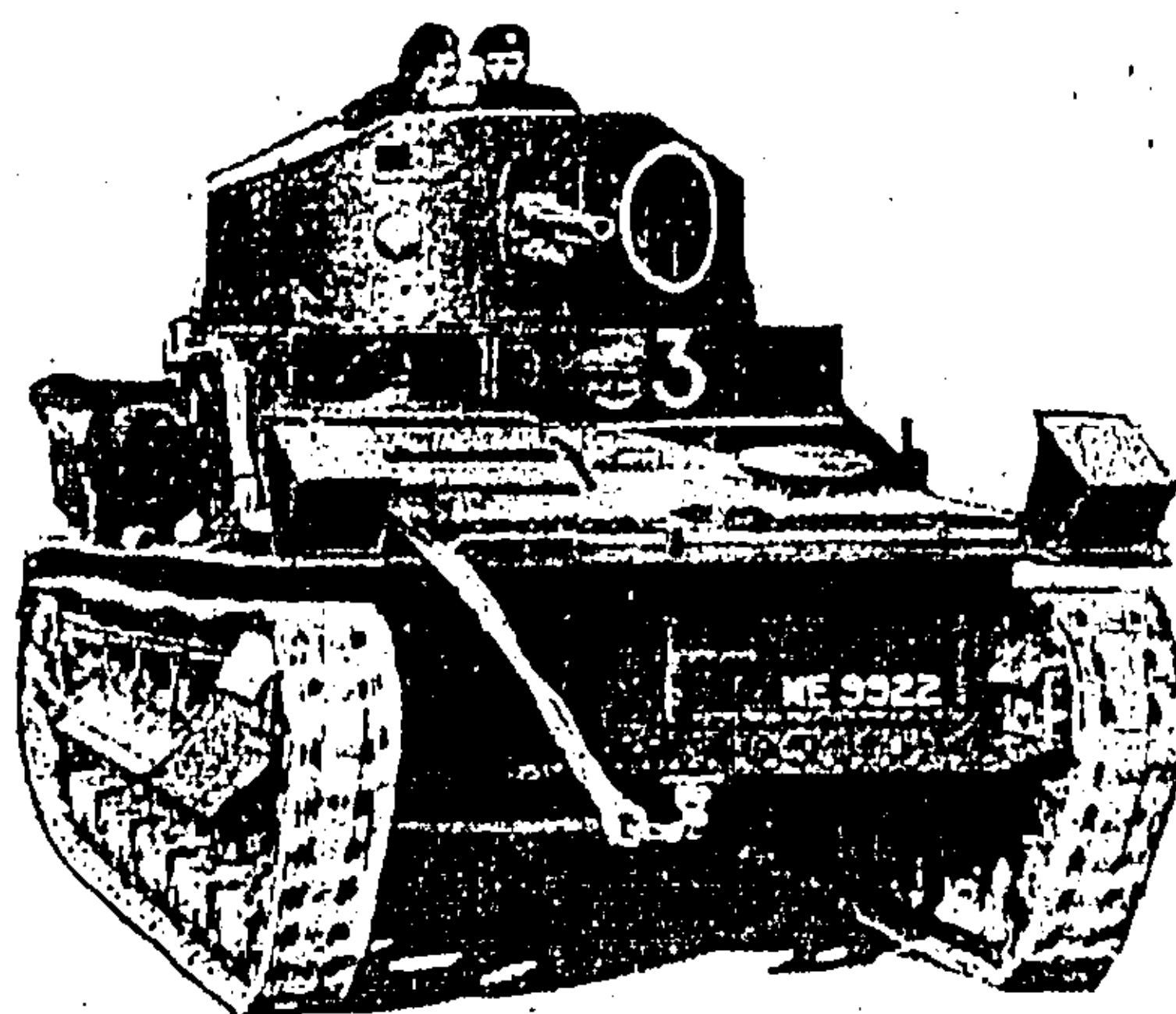
'PLANES & TANKS the MASTER WEAPONS

By
Major-General J. F. C. FULLER

C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O.

Chief General Staff Officer, Tank Corps 1916-18, and a leading authority on Modern Strategy.

AS the Army Estimates, which will be published to-day, are likely to total more than £100,000,000—roughly 150 per cent. above the figure at which they stood before we began to rearm—we may well ask the question: What is our Army for?



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In attempting to answer it, first we must get out of our heads the idea that it is an insurance against war; for that is the purpose of foreign policy.

Instead, the aim of the Army is to extinguish war in the shortest time and at the lowest cost in lives, property and treasure when that foreign policy breaks down and there is a war.

The problem is, in fact, identical with that of limiting conflagrations in our towns and cities. In every municipality two things are required to prevent fires—namely, a common-sense policy and anti-fire appliances.

All the fire brigades in the country will not limit the outbreaks of fire unless the behaviour of the citizens is sane. If people leave boxes of matches in nurseries, drop lighted cigarettes on to their beds, and place bottles of petrol on their kitchen ranges there will be unending conflagrations irrespective of the appliances kept to extinguish them.

With an army the situation is similar. It is foreign policy which limits war—that is, the same behaviour of the Government. Therefore, granted a rational foreign policy, all a Government needs to do is to turn to its military forces and decide on certain guiding characteristics.

True Careers

SUPPOSING that you represented the Government, then what would and should you do?

First of all, do not bother about ends; instead, consider means, for the grand end is war (the city to be protected), and not bits of war (the separate houses it contains).

Now, as to the means, and remembering that our Army is a British one it must fit British conditions.

First, it must appeal to the young men of this country as an

technical schools are undertaking there is one valuable and not entirely "alien" subject which should not be sacrificed—the study of the English language. In the first place if these young men are to earn their living in this Colony, even a small knowledge of English will be a tremendous advantage.

And, if they are ambitious and propose to continue independent study or to attempt the highly technical secrets of their trade, they will find that the text books offering them the clearest road are not those in their native tongue. It is just possible that out of the trade schools of this Colony may come future teachers of thousands of Chinese. In the interests of everyone concerned the desirability of the English influence is thus apparent.

honourable and desirable profession. Its recruitment must be voluntary, because we have no need for an immense conscript army, and we only want in it men to whom soldiering appeals.

Further, these men must be offered true careers, something worth working for; therefore, I suggest a total service of 30 years in engagements of three years at a time. That is to say, a man enlists for three years, after which he can re-engage for another three years, and so on.

From 21 years' service onwards he should be eligible for pension, and it should be a generous one.

The Territorials

SECONDLY, the Army's organisation must be of the simplest possible character. Flexible, mobile, and easy to expand in war-time, because our Empire is scattered and our obligations are manifold.

Our Territorial Army should become a true second line to our Regular Army, so that we may have one force and not two.

Service in the Regular Army should be exchangeable; that is to say, after a certain period of service an infantryman should become a tank-man, or a tank-man a gunner, and so on; so that no soldier grows stale, and the older men can be fitted into jobs suitable to their age.

As regards the Army's formations, the existing ones are too cumbersome; therefore the new ones must be smaller and more flexible. The whole should be motorised and divided into self-contained brigades of all arms, the divisions becoming their administrative formation, as army corps were in the Great War.

Quality First

THIRDLY, tactics. Tactical organisation and training must be built round what I will call the Army's master weapons. Throughout history there have always been such weapons; for example—the long Macedonian pike, the Roman short stabbing sword, the English long bow, the Swedish field gun.

To-day our two master weapons are the aeroplane and the tank with their counter-agents, or shields, anti-aircraft and anti-tank weapons.

Then in a long-service army, that is a highly expert and truly professional army, an army of quality in contradistinction to quantity (one fire brigade and not a thousand hand buckets), its men will be able to fight in machines and without machines; and we shall have not only a highly mechanised army, but a superb light infantry force as well.

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"Don't use your head this round—save all yer strength for the big finish."

THE BOMBS WILL GET THERE FIRST

By
A. GOWER

EVERY day now tests and demonstrations of air raid precautions schemes are being carried out in England. The Home Secretary is to speed up these schemes.

I hope he will succeed, but from a study of the methods which it is suggested should be employed I doubt it very much, particularly so far as London and the South are concerned.

The inhabitants of Northern and Midland towns have a far greater sense of civic duty than any South-country town, except possibly Portsmouth, appears able to engender.

Spurs Them On

TO tell the people of Coventry that the citizens of Leicester are in advance of them in air raid precautions spurs on the former town to outvie the latter.

Yet, one cannot visualise the Borough of Hampstead vying with the Borough of Southwark in the production of more efficient air raid precautions schemes.

To begin with no Metropolitan borough has been set a particularly good example by the parent body—the London County Council. Yet London and its surrounding suburbs contain one quarter of the entire population of the country!

How many Metropolitan boroughs have air raid precautions officers engaged on whole time work? There are but seven.

Have all the Metropolitan boroughs prepared even draft schemes? No! At least half of them have not done it!

Have any Metropolitan boroughs anything like a trained complement of air raid wardens? The answer is—just none.

While Leicester can have a "black-out," London could not have an efficient display for at least nine months.

Alarming Outlook

I ATTENDED the full council meeting, a very short while ago, of a Metropolitan borough so that I might find out the reactions of the aldermen and councillors to the ideas of the Home Office.

It was a borough from which one would have expected great enthusiasm and determination. From the agenda that I obtained, it appeared that the air raid precautions scheme was, through the apposite committee and officers, proceeding on good lines and was in advance of most London boroughs.

Yet the outlook of the average member of that council was, while illuminating, at the same time alarming.

The councillors seemed to think that the purchase of books was more important than air raid precautions.

They allowed the Libraries Committee to overspend themselves by £200, when from the debate it appeared that the committee had done so in direct contravention of the original desire of the council.

Yet these same councillors refused to allow the salary of the air raid precautions officer to be advanced by a mere—taking into consideration the Home Office grant—£80 per annum. They, in fact, after much haggling allowed him half the advance recommended by the air raid precautions committee.

The defeat of the recommendation at issue at the meeting was not what worried me: it was the attitude and opinions of the speakers.

One rather ancient councillor said that he thought that air raid precautions would not be needed.

A Socialist councillor went into comparisons between the respective education of an air raid precautions officer and a chief librarian, much, I may say, to the detriment of the former.

Petty Politics

ANOTHER councillor said they were "going too fast"! An alderman compared this particular borough with other London boroughs, and was also of the opinion that they were "going too fast."

The whole tone of the council appeared to be that Metropolitan boroughs should travel by the slowest borough, rather than emulate the Northern and Midland towns in their attempts to outvie each other.

Incidentally, I noticed that during proceedings, the council advanced the maximum salary of the cemetery superintendent by £100.

That council meeting filled me with a feeling of great despondency. There seemed something so much of petty "parish pump" politics in its proceedings.

I fear indeed that the Home Secretary will have to adopt a different scheme if London is to be made at all conscious of the need for air raid precautions.

I watched the aldermen and councillors as they left the town hall. They all seemed, with the exception of the chairman of the air raid precautions committee, so pleased with themselves.

I, personally, felt like the poet Gray, gazing at the distant prospect of Eton College:

"Alas! regardless of their doom
The little victims play!
No sense have they of the to come,
No care beared to-day."

N.B.—I was born and bred in London.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

RENTS COMMISSION INQUIRY CRITICISED

(Continued from Page 1.)

long since the beginning of Sino-Japanese hostilities last year.

ROOT OF THE PRESENT SITUATION

The Commission found difficulty in giving "a continuous history" of the rise and fall of rents during the last ten years. On their own admission "this fact is of great significance and goes to the root of the present situation of rents in the Colony." No explanation is given for this statement. This is unfortunate. Tenants were unable to furnish that "continuous history."

The fundamental level of ten years ago provides considerable useful data for the reasons I will now explain. For 1929-30, it will be remembered, a big surplus balance was recorded for Hongkong. It fell to the Hong (now Sir) Thomas Southern to review the financial position of the Colony when presenting the Estimates for 1930. The Officer Administering the Government said on the 20th September, 1929: "The revenue of the Colony has shown a remarkable recovery.... There is no doubt that the population of the Colony has been increasing during the year, and as the rent houses are occupied, an impetus is given to building operations and land purchase for which considerable funds seem to be available."

Our veteran (then senior) unofficial member, Sir Shou-son Chow, expressed the gratification of his colleague when he spoke of estimated revenue for 1929 as likely to be exceeded by the sum of not less than \$2,571,000. That, he thought, might be taken as evidence that conditions in the Colony were gradually returning to normal. "The bigger demand for building sites," the honourable senior unofficial member said, "could be taken as proof of a further increase in the population, as well as a healthy sign that confidence in the future of the Colony was being restored."

REVENUE BUOYANT

Hongkong's revenue for 1928 exceeded the Estimates by \$4,865,000, and of that of the previous year by \$3,022,003, which prompted the official author of the preface to the Administration Reports for 1928 to indulge in a note of optimism when he wrote that "1928 showed a continuation of steady recovery in the financial and commercial position of the Colony."

The quotations should carry conviction that Hongkong had emerged out of the chaos created by the intensive anti-Hongkong strike and boycott of 1925 to enter upon one of those cyclical prosperous periods during which there was much speculation in house property. To attain the best results under the concomitant conditions of a boom, rents were forced up in order that the investments in property might bear the most favourable relation between capital cost and interest yield.

This view places in doubt the ipse dixit of the Commission in para. 2 that the majority of property owners must be regarded as "legitimate investors." Not all will agree with their claim.

LOANS ON INSUFFICIENT MARGIN

Numerous causes of ownership arose out of the speculative spirit which sent prices up during the recovery period; these changes accompanied the inevitable reaction that set in and Hongkong began to fall temporarily on evil days. This condition was aggravated by the failure of some of the native banks which created a panic bordering on acute crisis. Good property in widely scattered areas was practically unsaleable. Such might have been the condition of the Colony that furnished, to quote verbatim from the report, "a wealth of evidence (presumably supplied by landlords themselves—J.P.B.) to prove that owners of house property were the victims of a disastrous slump during the years 1930 to 1937." The Commissioners were careful to guard themselves in the assertion that "no doubt there were during the last ten years cases of speculative building in which men of straw hoped to make a quick boom profit."

At the height of the speculation money was borrowed at high rates of interest. House property was bought on wholly insufficient margin. A tempting high rate of interest operated as the bait for smaller margin. A series of mortgages failures synchronized with inevitable foreclosure that followed in the wake of the incautious scramble to get rich quick.

In the present controversy the new owners successfully enlisted sympathy by the representation that current rentals suffer by comparison; they do not yield, they say, an economic return on their money.

CANDID ADMISSION

A candid admission is obtained on page 10 of the cogency of the foregoing argument when the owners confess that they had "acquired the properties as mortgagors and entered into possession during the depression." The net return with the proposed increases will not cover the interest charges on the amount advanced on mortgage.

It follows, therefore, that the over-valuation of property ten years ago does not furnish a true basis for purposes of comparison. The application of such a standard is misleading and conflicts with tenants' interests to-day. By contrast, cases

can be cited of forced sales and foreclosures proving what a profitable yield the existing rentals supply. Here is an illuminating example of an investment of \$9,000 by a non-European landlady in a house in the European residential district of Kowloon from which she collects in rent the sum of \$160 per month. She had spent \$2,000 in reconditioning the premises. This may appear to be an extreme case; but if enquiry were to be pursued far enough other similar cases could be found as strikingly favourable to the landlord.

Whether cases of this type have been brought to the notice of the Commission, and whether the Commission, in pursuance of the powers vested in them by the Commissioners' Powers Act of 1930, had subpoenaed any witnesses before them and elicited similar startling revelations, one cannot tell. This is a moot point of some importance, and is considered to be a determining factor for purposes of rental comparison. Without it only an *ex parte* case has been made out. That is one contention.

MILITATING EVIDENCE FACTORS

There are several reasons why the collection of material evidence has not been as complete as it should otherwise be. Its very incompleteness militates against the value of the report; the recommendations, accordingly, fall short of the requirements of the fundamental data. For example, there are the inherent shyness and timidity of a class of witnesses to appear before the Commissioners; the restraining influence of the language difficulty experienced by foreign tenants in some cases and illiteracy in others, and, lastly, fear of retaliation by landlords.

At the same time ample allowance must be made for the "hasty nature" (the phrase is of the Commissioners' own coining) of the inquiry, because of "the alleged urgency of the position and the Chairman's pending departure from the Colony."

Impartially, no blame can be attached to the Commission. That much is granted. If they had not been placed in the position for a judicial sifting of cases in the interests of tenants the latter are at fault.

KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

It is learnt from the Report that complaints had been received from the Kowloon Residents' Association, and in a summary which a deputation from that Association presented to the Commission it was supposed that there were six cases of startling rent increases exceeding 150 per cent.

Some satisfactory explanation should be forthcoming as to why the Commission did not discover "any such huge increase as was alleged in the summary given by the Committee's deputation." It is inconceivable that such a repressive body like the K.R.A. can be capable of gross exaggeration.

One salient fact emerges on the authority of the Government Assessor that "of the vacancies on his list at present not one was suitable for the Portuguese clerical class or European subordinates." (Page 15, para. 1.)

There are so many factors influencing rent that statements submitted by landlords must be subjected to close scrutiny before any valuable deduction can be made from them. The removal of disorderly houses from certain districts and their occupation by trades and professions capable of paying higher rents, the absence of water service and fireproof alterations and the provision of these in competitive premises have a very material influence in determining the value of rents, so that it is doubtful if the conclusions of the comparative figures submitted in several paragraphs can be accepted as incontrovertible proof in support of any deductions in the absence of material evidence in the other direction.

METICULOUS DOMESTIC PROBING INFRA DIG.

With all deference to the professional character of the collection of the Commission, I make the submission that the pursuance of the questioning to ascertain the number of domestics of a household in order to find out the tenant's ability to meet his rent is undignifying and outside the Commission's functions. The adequacy of the rent in proportion to the accommodation provided and its suitability are really what matter. The argument which the Commission makes, that the reduction in the wages of one servant by dispensing with him might have provided the amount which the tenant needed to meet the increased rent, is poor (page 16, para. 10). Its fallacy will be made more evident if the analogy is extended to, say, the case of an individual earning a salary of \$2,000 or so a month. Does it necessarily follow that he should pay out a percentage in rent equal to that paid by his humble fellow-citizens? If the argument is to hold, a percentage as high as 50 per cent. and more is not unknown. The case of a modest Chinese cashier in a foreign employ, and another of a Filipino laundress, can be cited as specific instances by whom I have been approached. By further analogies arguing, there was nothing to prevent the Commission probing into a family's daily bill of fare, or the husband's drinks and "smokes," and the family amusement costs for cinema and other forms of recreation.

FARMING—KEY, "TRA" AND "SHOE" MONEY

An aspect of the question that does not appear to have been touched upon by the Commission is that of the farming of whole blocks of houses. To avoid having to deal with individual tenants of flats, not to speak of cubicles, owners make it a point of "farming." The "farmer" agrees to lease the houses on a certain fixed rental; he in turn is free to let to whom he pleases and at whatever rent that suits him best. A hasty perusal of the Commission's report gives no inkling into the extent of the increase which the "farmer" receives from his sub-tenants. Strictly speaking, so far as the landlord is concerned, he appears before the Commission as impeccable; but the "farmer" who, in fact, replaces the owner becomes the real offender. My practical experience leaves me in no doubt as to the existence of this form of abuse. Quite often the "farmer" will allege to the landlord that a group of tenants intend vacating at the end of the month. Upon this so-called notice he traffics to the extent of letting the flats to new tenants, or permitting the existing tenants to occupy, for the consideration of a higher rent. Add to this the illicit "squeeze" assuming such euphonious designations as "key," "tea," or "shoe money," and it becomes apparent to what lengths the victimisation of sub-tenants is carried.

SENATE BACKS DALADIER

Free Hand For Next Six Weeks

Unanimous Support

Paris, Apr. 13.

The Senate approved M. Daladier's Finance Bill by 288 votes to 1.

The official return of the Senate division was 290 to 0, and was therefore unanimous. A Radical was originally given as the only "No" voter, but later he was included among the "Ayes."

The Chamber and Senate have now gone into Easter recess giving M. Daladier a free hand for the next six weeks.—*Reuter*.

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WATER RATE IN RELATION TO RENTS

To what extent the Commission has probed into one feature of the rent increases must remain a matter of conjecture. The report offers no elucidation. I refer to the question of water rates.

Several cases that have been brought to my notice remove all doubt that as an indirect method of adding increase upon increase of rent is the inclusion of water charges. When the housing shortage began to be felt, an increase of the original rent inclusive of water was made and conceded, followed by a salve of the landlord's conscience by the imposition of a surcharge ingeniously designated as water rate. The water rate fixed by the landlord was not one applicable to all tenants of a house. The building usually comprises three or four storeys let to as many tenants.

It is well to remember that the water rate is a determinable figure, and the landlord in placing it at anything higher than that figure is definitely violating his tenants in higher rent in an indirect manner. He at the same time evades payment of taxes on the additional rent collected under a different name. To that extent the revenue of the Colony suffers for the benefit of the landlord. Herein Government intervention can be equitably invoked.

Certain landlords' intuition has definitely secured "the monetary benefit" to themselves out of any proposed change of the incidence of the water charge. I apprehend that they have forestalled the Financial Secretary, who, in his recent Memorandum on the Water Charge Question, laudably seeks to protect the tenant, for he writes: "a transfer of charge would mean shifting the burden from the comparatively well-to-do to the poor. I regard such a shift of the burden as most undesirable because I greatly fear that the poor tenant will be found on balance to pay more as a result of the proposed change in the collection of water charges, while the Hongkong taxation system already taxes the poor more heavily in proportion to income than the wealthy." This is just what has been happening in very recent times. There will generally be agreement with the Financial Secretary when he says that "in the main the adjustment between landlord and tenant be left to ordinary economic forces." It is greatly to be desired that careful note be taken of the Hon. Mr. S. Caine's recommendation. He urges that "in announcing the change of incidence of charge Government should make it clear that landlords are expected to adjust their rents in consequence of that in the last resort Government may refuse to install separate meters for any landlord who is shown to have used the change solely to his own benefit." Where an adjustment has already been made detrimental to tenants' interests, the provisions of the new law should be made retroactive.

FAIRER BASIC RENT

A fairer basic for comparative purposes would have been that charged just prior to the large increase in the population, i.e., in July of last year. Before then the figure and the rent at, say, the be-

FIRE NEAR JAPANESE MAGAZINE

Shots Allegedly Heard Before S'hai Outbreak

Shanghai, Apr. 14.

A huge, mysterious blaze broke out shortly after 4 p.m. yesterday in an open yard containing horse fodder, which was next to a munitions warehouse on the O.S.K. wharf, the most important point for the import of Japanese war supplies in Shanghai.

The fire, the origin of which is not yet ascertained, spread over a distance of 400 square feet, destroying large quantities of straw and charcoal, and it was only got under control after hours of strenuous fighting by Chinese and Settlement firemen, who prevented it from reaching the adjoining magazine.

Foreign sources state that several shots previous to the outbreak were heard, but this remains unconfirmed.

During the day the wharf was swarming with Chinese prisoners, who were being used for unloading supplies.

Last night the area was blocked off and no foreigners were allowed near it.—*Reuter*.

ginning of this year an average could have been struck that would not have deprived the landlord of his rent during the summer months. Tenants unmolested by a further increase which has threatened, and in many cases been enforced, since then. Extending the benefit further in landlords' favour any rent (exclusive of the water surcharge) since agreed upon between the two parties might be left untouched. The principle of reciprocal contract thus remains inviolate.

EVICTIONS PROHIBITION

The Commission is unfortunately committed to the conclusion that "legislation prohibiting evictions alone without at the same time relieving increases of rent would prove useless." It was a most serious grievance that had given cause for so much dissatisfaction—landlords' insistence on eviction. This unbending attitude of certain landlords is notorious. Under the existing laws landlords may summarily throw out resident tenants for the benefit of passing visitors. Tenants are on good ground when they voice complaint against a form of tyranny which is exercised without compunction. The plight of families of tenants is truly distressing. Their utter helplessness excites the greatest sympathy. For them an urgent appeal is made. It looks very much as if this appeal must fall on deaf ears.

If prosperity reaching Hongkong in consequence of the recent great growth of population has to be purchased at the expense of so much anxiety and distress, and if Hongkong is to earn the unenviable reputation of being an expensive port for the profit of landlords and a larger colonial revenue from assessed taxes, then let this Colony abandon a form of prosperity so dearly purchased and so unpopularly acquired.

"WAITING BRIEF" RECOMMENDATION

The Commission makes but one final recommendation (p. 21, para. 4). It is one, however, that conveys little comfort and less relief to the sufferers. It recommends that a watch might be kept on landlords' actions, that the submission of the report, what good this recommendation can achieve, and to what extent it is going to lighten tenants' burden, it does not say. It offers no palliative for, much less an eradication of, the evil against which so loud a voice has been raised. What is going to be the Government's exercise of authority against watch-keepers' actions, again the Commission does not say. Do the members expect that each individual case of complaint shall be brought to the notice of the Government? And, if so, where is the constituted authority to receive complaints and act upon them? They may call for prompt and summary decision. In the absence of a legally created tribunal to await the creation of the necessary practical machinery would be to relegate to the Greek Kalends satisfaction for aggrieved parties.

AN APOLOGY

I plead limitations of space and time for what, after all, must be a very hurried and imperfect review of a report of absorbing interest. The Commission's report contains much that provides excellent material for a prolonged controversy that cannot adequately be dealt with in a single review within the compass of a newspaper letter.

It is apposite to the serious consideration of the problem under discussion for reference to be made, in conclusion, to the statement by the Home Secretary, Sir Samuel Hoare, in the House of Commons on March 22. Sir Samuel was speaking on the plight of the Australian refugees. He said that "while doubtless there was a general desire to maintain the traditional policy in Britain of offering an asylum to persons who, for political, racial and religious reasons, had to leave their own country, there were on the other hand obvious objections to any policy which would aggravate unemployment, housing and other social problems."

It is just this matter of housing that is of immediate concern to the Colony and so vital to its good name. At no time is it advocated that Hongkong should bar its door to the admission of distressed people who seek sanctuary within our gates.

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7.30 London Relay—"At The Black Dog".

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8.05 Chinese Programme—Studio Com.

11.0 Close Down.

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8.50 Studio—His Honour Mr. Justice Lindsay—Talk on the Bridge Olympic.

9.0 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Please Remember (Denby and Watson); On Linger Longer Island (Kennedy—Carr). Jack Harris and His Orchestra with vocal refrain by Sam Browne; True Confession (From the Film); Carroll Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orpheans with vocal chorus; Once In A While (Green and Edwards); Bel Mir Bist Du Schoon (Secunda—Cahn—Chaplin). Jack Harris and His Orchestra with vocal refrain by Sam Browne.

9.15 London Relay—"World Affairs".

A talk by The Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Concert Waltzes.

Waltz Nette (Arr. Schwartz); Spring Waltz (Arr. Schwartz). Russian Novelty Orchestra; Volga, Volga (Russian Waltz Potpourri—Walter Noack). Vienna Boheme Orchestra.

10.0 London Relay—"Music-Hall".

Including Clapham and Dwyer. In a spot of bother with The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra, conducted by Charles Shadwell.

11.0 Close Down.

U.S.R.C. ACTIVITIES

The United Services Recreation Club will hold an auction of periodicals at 6.30 p.m. on Saturday. Entries for the American Tournament will close at 6.30 p.m. on Sunday, April 17. On the following Wednesday there will be a cocktail party. A dinner and dance will be held on Saturday, April 30, in connection with which applications for tables must be made to the Hon. Secretary by Wednesday, April 27.

J. P. BRAGA.

Reader's Complaint

Sir,—As a regular, tolerant and appreciative reader, may I deplore your illustration of the Greek Chorus under the heading "How It Began"? Your illustration appears to be as ignorant of the habits of the Greeks as he is of the period during which they flourished.

L. B. H.

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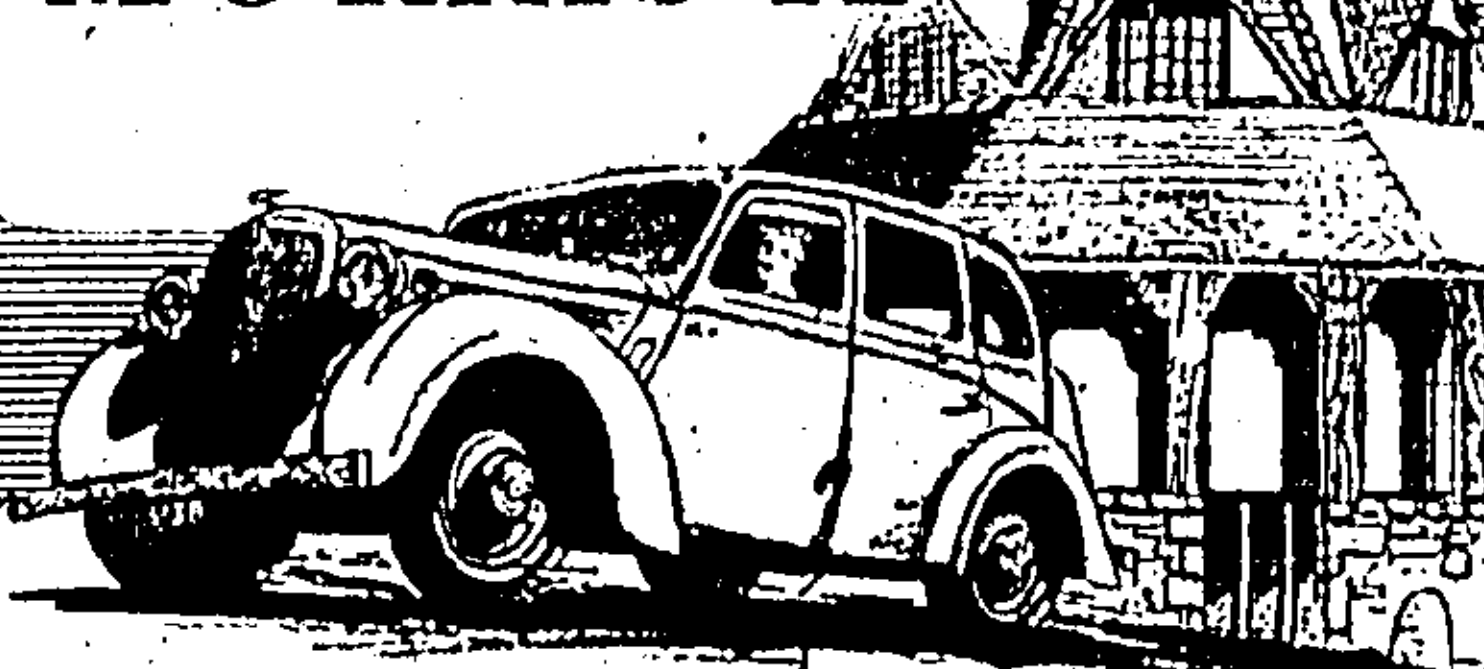
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GOOD ENTRIES RECEIVED
FOR MINOR EVENTS

(By "Captain Foster")

We have had exceptionally fine weather during the last few days and it seems safe to forecast that we will have a good grass track for the Easter Race Meeting. On Saturday the first saddling will be at noon, and the meeting will continue on Monday. The tiffin interval will be immediately after the second race on each day and the third event is timed to be run at 2.30 p.m.

Race-goers will be treated with a capital programme of ten races with the inclusion of eight handicap events, the main contest being the St. George's Plate confined to the griffins of this season among the China ponies. The Deep Bay and Taiwan Bay Handicaps (for China ponies "C" and "D" classes respectively) have been subdivided into two sections at the discretion of the official handicapper and the segregation, with judicious allotment of the poundage, has set a knotty problem to spot the winner. There is, however, one consolation to the betting public; all the ponies entered for this meeting have only one engagement each. This naturally makes it easier for the student of the game to compile a ranking list of their own and we may all look forward to a good day of thrills and handsome return of substantial dividends.

Very good entries have been received, especially for the minor events, but no reason has been disclosed for the non-entry of Confusion Bay (third in the Hongkong Derby) in the St. George's Plate and it is significant to note that Mr. L. Dunbar has not nominated Liberty Bay for the Easter Stakes to meet Silkylight. The champion sub-griffin in China pony, Louis XIV, will not be seen in action, for the owner has given the racer a well-deserved rest. It is rather unusual to see Shanghai jockeys riding at our Easter Meeting, but the presence of Messrs. Encarnacao and V. V. Neeed will undoubtedly enliven the pari-mutuel department. It is feared from a reliable quarter that the prospect of seeing Mr. H. P. Chanson in the saddle is very remote, while Mr. L. P. Ralph has left for his usual leave.

GOOD PONIES FOR OPENING EVENT

The Easter Meeting opens with a run from the two mile post, once round and in, for "A" China ponies, in the Misa Bay Handicap which has drawn nine first-class runners. Bear Claw (Mr. Black) holds the post of honour and is followed by Desert Chief (Mr. Encarnacao) and King's Warden (Mr. Neeed), both allotted 164 lbs. When they met at the fall of last year, Bear Claw trounced King's Warden by two lengths in the Hongkong Autumn Champions, but these two steeds had not the pleasure of seeing each other at the Annual Meeting and taking everything in the balance, I much prefer the Dynasty's candidate. But we have not had a line on Desert Chief, who is on the same level with King's Warden, for the former has started twice amongst his own class and therefore the rule of three will not be of much help to ascertain which is a better roadster. Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate had no opposition in the Racing Stakes, but nevertheless the mile was run in 1.59.2/5 which was a grand performance for a youngster of this season and Desert Chief will have the same pilot Mr. Encarnacao. I will, however, make

my final selections on Saturday. Mr. Pih is taking out Cossack's Beauty while Mr. Proulx has been booked to steer Lady Northcote's Gladiator. These two nags have been kindly treated and they are good for big money.

THREE RUNNERS FROM EU STABLE

Another interesting contest before lunch will be seen in the Hongham Handicap for "B" class China runners over the same jaunt. I have good reason to say that Mr. Encarnacao is going to pilot Rob Roy while Mr. Pih will be riding Potentate and Mr. Proulx will be up on Rose-Queen, all the three belonging to Mr. Eu Tong-sen. In the Chater Cup run about two months ago, Red Feather, the winner, was conceding a few pounds to Rob Roy whereas on Saturday the latter has further concession of the lead and Rob Roy has a good sporting chance to turn the tables. This, of course, cannot be guaranteed, for the book of form New Star and Honeycomb Eve are both dangerous. I have not seen Dawn Star at her work, but Royal Scot (Mr. Gregory) is very backward. Boolat Bay, who was recently promoted from the lower deck, ran a good race (third) behind Potentate, the winner of Ladies' Purse, and it is this stallion of Mr. Dunbar can reproduce the same form, it is a good bet to follow up.

ROSEHILL STAKES

The Rosehill Stakes for non-winning Australian sub-griffins of this season is a dash from the 1 1/2 mile post and a lot of course depends upon the draw of the position which is one of the important factors, coupled with a good start. Bredon, with Mr. B. Proulx, looks a good thing. King's Privilege may or may not start but in the event of the owner deciding on the latter course, Mr. Neeed will no doubt take out The Buffer. There is also a rumour that The Buffer will not accept in which case the Northern jockey will then ride Sydney Bridge. It will be seen that Mr. Neeed has the option of three mounts, the best being King's Privilege. This damsel by the "unknown" went lame after running third in the Perth Plate and I fancy her to be in the limelight provided she goes to the post as O.K. In her absence I would recommend Macquarie River. Cape York has changed ownership and it is to be hoped that he will run better for the new colours.

SECOND LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

The second leg of the daily double is on the Gin Drinkers Bay Stakes for non-winning subscription griffins of this season over a mile and the race is to be ridden by novices. In addition we have a beautiful array

CONFUSION BAY NOT RUNNING IN MAIN EVENT

Cameronian Fancied To Win The Plate

It came as a surprise when Mr. Dunbar's Confusion Bay was not among the list of entries for the main event, the St. George's Plate, which is a handicap for griffins of this season over the champion course. Confusion Bay has started three times (two wins and a third) since the Annual Race Meeting and the stallion is quite a young animal, which may be the reason for not giving the pony a run. However, we have only a handful of entries and the issue will be fought out between Cameronian (Mr. Encarnacao) and Moonlight View (Mr. Pih) with Jober (Mr. Ip) to fill up the third position in the frame. My hope of a great race has gone to the dogs owing to the absence of Confusion Bay. Cameronian was considered at one time to be only a sprinter, but I am inclined to take another view. His longest outing at the Annual Carnival was over a mile and that was when he trounced Moonlight View on level terms in the Tyro Stakes. For a beating of a length, Cameronian is set to concede five pounds of lead to Moonlight View, but the journey on Saturday is two furlongs longer and even at that I am of opinion that Mr. Eu Tong-sen's bay gelding will come out with flying colours. I am not under-rating Moonlight View nor is he to be considered as "NEB"; in fact the blackie of Mr. Li Lan-sang is well keyed and the most forward for the big handicap event, but I nominate Cameronian because I like the animal.

FIRST LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

The first leg of the daily double is on the Deep Bay Handicap (first section) over six furlongs. It will be King's Justice's first run among this company after his recent demolition and it looks that the great "hat been" has a good chance to show his legs. It will be recalled that at this time last year, King's Justice with a novice, Mr. S. L. Yuen, created a sensation by romping home first in the Morrison Hill Handicap over six furlongs and paid a handsome return of \$191.80 for a win. He was then running against "B" class runners whereas on Saturday he will be up against a lower standard. King's Justice knows every sharp corner of our race course and I love to see him finishing at the head of the pack. However it may interest one to know that among the list of entries there is a good mixture of old timers and griffins of this season, and the adjustment of the poundage has not been in favour of the youngsters of this year. Humdrum Eve, the winner of Wuchow Handicap over six furlongs at the last meeting, has the same 165 lbs. to carry while Amberley, who was second in the Fatshan Handicap, has been penalised 7 lbs. Laughing Girl, who was behind Amberley, has to shoulder three pounds more while King's Bounty and Royal Consort remain on the same mark. The going at the last meet was more a paddy field than a grass track and we all know that the mud was not to King's Bounty's liking. Of all the ponies mentioned, my fancy is King's Bounty, Humdrum Eve and Laughing Girl. I have named them in the order I expect them to see them cross over the touch line.

SECOND LEG OF DAILY DOUBLE

of 20 ponies to pick the winner and there is no difficulty in making the selection, provided of course the steeds run true to their form. The result of the Kongmun Handicap was Golden Cow, Fei Ying, Charybdis and Cuban Love, the last being declared fourth by the judges. With (Continued on Page 2.)

Home Football

EAST FIFE ENTERS CUP FINAL

Wins In Second Re-Play

London, Apr. 13. Playing at Edinburgh to-day, East Fife earned the right to meet Kilmarnock in the final of the Scottish Football Cup by beating St. Bernards in the second replay between the two teams in the semi-final round of the competition.

East Fife succeeded by the odd goal in three.

Several Scottish League matches were played in the First Division. Rangers visited Aberdeen and won by three nil, while Hearts beat Morton by 2-1.

Scores: SCOTTISH CUP (SEMI-FINAL)
East Fife 2 St. Bernards 1

Tennis Championship

YOUNG TSUI EARNs RIGHT TO FIGHT ANOTHER DAY

Semi-Final Tie Halted In The Fifth Set

(By "Abe")

While the greatest credit must be given to Tsui Yun-pui for fighting back so splendidly after being two sets down, H. D. Rummahn, the title-holder, himself contributed to some extent to his own failure to clinch the issue when these two players met in the semi-finals of the Colony Tennis Singles Championship on the stand court of the Hongkong C. C. yesterday.

The champion's refusal to extricate himself from difficult positions by lobbing was one of the features of the encounter. When his drives were in good working order in the first two sets, there was reason for his diffidence in exploiting this stroke as a defensive measure; but when they failed him later on, it was bad tactics not to do so.

This stubborn attitude on Rummahn's part was made all the more incomprehensible by the fact that Tsui's overhead weakness is already well-known. If further evidence was needed to prove this, Tsui supplied it yesterday; yet in the course of the whole encounter, the number of lobbs made by Rummahn could be counted on the fingers of one hand.

RELIED ON DRIVES

Had Rummahn resorted to this method of forcing Tsui away from the net, he would have had a good chance of winning. But instead he relied almost solely on his drives which later lost their accuracy and were comfortably tucked away by the Chinese, who was in fine volleying form. Thus Rummahn slowly, bit by bit, lost his advantage, and indeed when the final set was started was in danger of losing.

But he took a firm grip on himself and fought every inch of the way until 4-4 was reached when it was adjudged too dark to continue the match, which was then abandoned. The scores then were: 7-5, 6-4, 3-6, 2-6 and 4-4 (Rummahn's scores first).

How right my colleague "Verting" was when he remarked recently that the Rummahn facing defeat was a much dangerous player than the Rummahn with a substantial lead! Showing better form than he did against W. C. Hung last week, Rummahn took the two opening sets yesterday with a display which indicated that he was likely to win in straight sets unless Tsui showed a decided improvement in the third stanza. But with this important lead, he seemed to slacken, and when Tsui went to a lead of 5-2, the champion did not seem to be trying to fight it out. Whether he was slowing down deliberately for a final effort in the fourth set was not clear; but the spurt did not materialise. And the champion's strokes, so crisp and deep in the opening sets, now became less reliable, and from being the aggressor he became the defender.

TSUI FORCES PACE

Hot as the sun, Tsui rightly forced the pace of the exchanges and choosing the right moments to advance to the net, he had the Indian running all over the court trying to retrieve deep drives near the side lines and drop shots which, though seldom winners, had the effect of keeping his opponent constantly on the run. Tsui's advances might have been checked had Rummahn embarked on a lobbing campaign and it was surprising that the latter

A GREAT IMPROVEMENT REVEALED BY JUNIORS IN THE COMPETITIONS

C.B.S. GIRLS HAD A SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN

The curtain has been drawn on ladies' hockey in the Colony; a very successful season was terminated last Saturday week when the champions of both the senior and junior divisions met the Rest teams in two very interesting games.

Though only four teams participated in the Cacer Clark Cup, great interest was maintained in the competition throughout the season, and the standard of play was on the upgrade all the time.

The most improved players in the junior section are:

Miss J. Lakeman, Miss Tonge and Miss M. McCaw ("Y" Ladies); Miss G. White, Miss H. Reid, Miss E. Churn and Miss S. Roberts (St. Andrew's); Miss F. Fyfe, and Miss M. Smalley (Hongkong Ladies); Miss Miss, Miss B. Parsons, Miss Clewer and Miss P. Whitley (C.B.A. Ladies).

The "Y" Ladies retained the championship with St. Andrew's as runners-up.

JUNIOR DIVISION

The most improved players in the junior section are:

Miss P. Pasco, Miss Followfield, Miss N. Whitehead, Miss M. Shand and Miss B. Houghton (C.B.S. "A"); Miss Ewing, Miss E. Watson and Miss McKelvie (C.B.S. "B"); Miss J. Hall, Miss J. Broadbridge, Miss P. Lawson and Miss E. Ho (St. Andrew's); Miss Silva, Miss Gonsalves, Miss Remedios and Miss Barros (Recrolo); Miss E. Woolley, Miss Winch and Miss MacAlpine (C.B.A.); Mrs. Gunby, Mrs. Ackroyd and Mrs. McKay (Seafarths); Mrs. Slater and Miss Ambrose (Y.M.C.A.).

The C.B.S. "A" again retained the Brawn Cup without a single defeat throughout the League campaign—a record of which they may well be proud. The C.B.S. "B" were runners-up.

The School, therefore, has done very well during the season, and this speaks volumes for the splendid work of Miss Abraham, their coach. The Hongkong Ladies were winners of the Seven-a-Side Tournament, with the C.B.S. "A" as runners-up.

The standard of play in the Junior Division has improved considerably and several young players have represented their teams in the senior games when called upon as reserves. These reserves have, in the cases of St. Andrew's, C.B.S. and Y.M.C.A., given very creditable performances and I shall not be surprised to see them appear for the senior teams next season.

With the exception of one or two rare cases, great satisfaction was experienced with regard to umpires supplied by the Umpires' Hockey Board.

THE INTERPORT

It was rather unfortunate that no Interport game could be arranged owing to the unsettled state of affairs in Shanghai; but I sincerely hope our ladies will be able to make the trip up north next winter. Last but by no means least, my congratulations to Miss Violet Brad-

INTERPORT ELEVEN A GOOD ONE

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The Interport hockey team to oppose Macao has been chosen and my congratulations are offered to the seven new caps, M. Ramzan, Fit. Lieut. Wallace, Pte. Stickle, Nic. Ghulam Rasul, M. R. Malik, Lieut. J. A. H. Douglass and G. H. Fowler.

Though in the opinion of many enthusiasts a stronger team could have been chosen, I consider that the selected side, in the circumstances, is a good one. I am pleased to see that the selectors have not lost faith in Pyara Singh and that they have restored Parbata to outside left.

It is to be hoped that the S. A. Fowler-Douglass combination will come up to expectations on the right flank. Douglass has every reason to consider himself fortunate to secure his place at inside right.

Contrary to the views of many good judges of the game, Ghulam Rasul has been chosen at right half instead of right back. The selectors seem to have been playing a game of daunt in the case of this fine player. In the two trials, he was seen at left back and then right back, and now he has been chosen as right half. Normally he is centre-half; so, his present position should not be too difficult for him. He deserves his place.

HOPE FOR THE BEST

Wallace is said by some of those on the Selection Committee as being the best right back in the Colony. I sincerely hope for the sake of the Hongkong team that he will play up to this reputation.

The rest of the team seem set and with three days more before the big game comes off, I will probably have another opportunity of reviewing the prospects. The prevailing opinion seems to be that it is going to be a victory for our Portuguese visitors. But then, who knows?

bury, the Hon. Secretary of the H.K.L.H.A., for the efficient and smooth manner in which both the Leagues and the Seven-a-Side Tournament were run. In her first term of office, she has made a great improvement in one or two items. I wish her and ladies' hockey in general an even more successful season next year.

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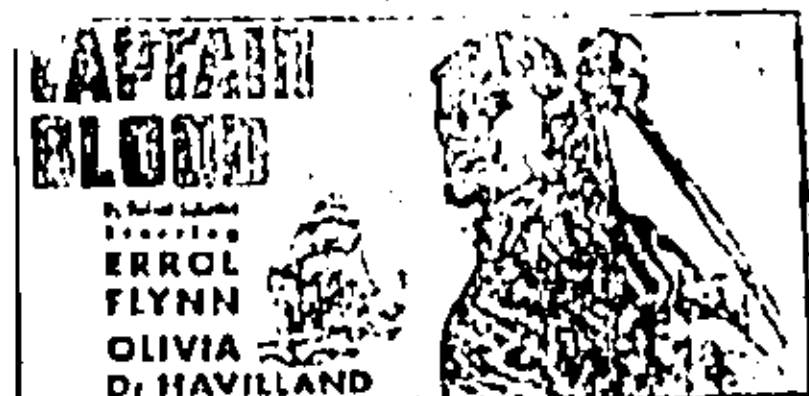
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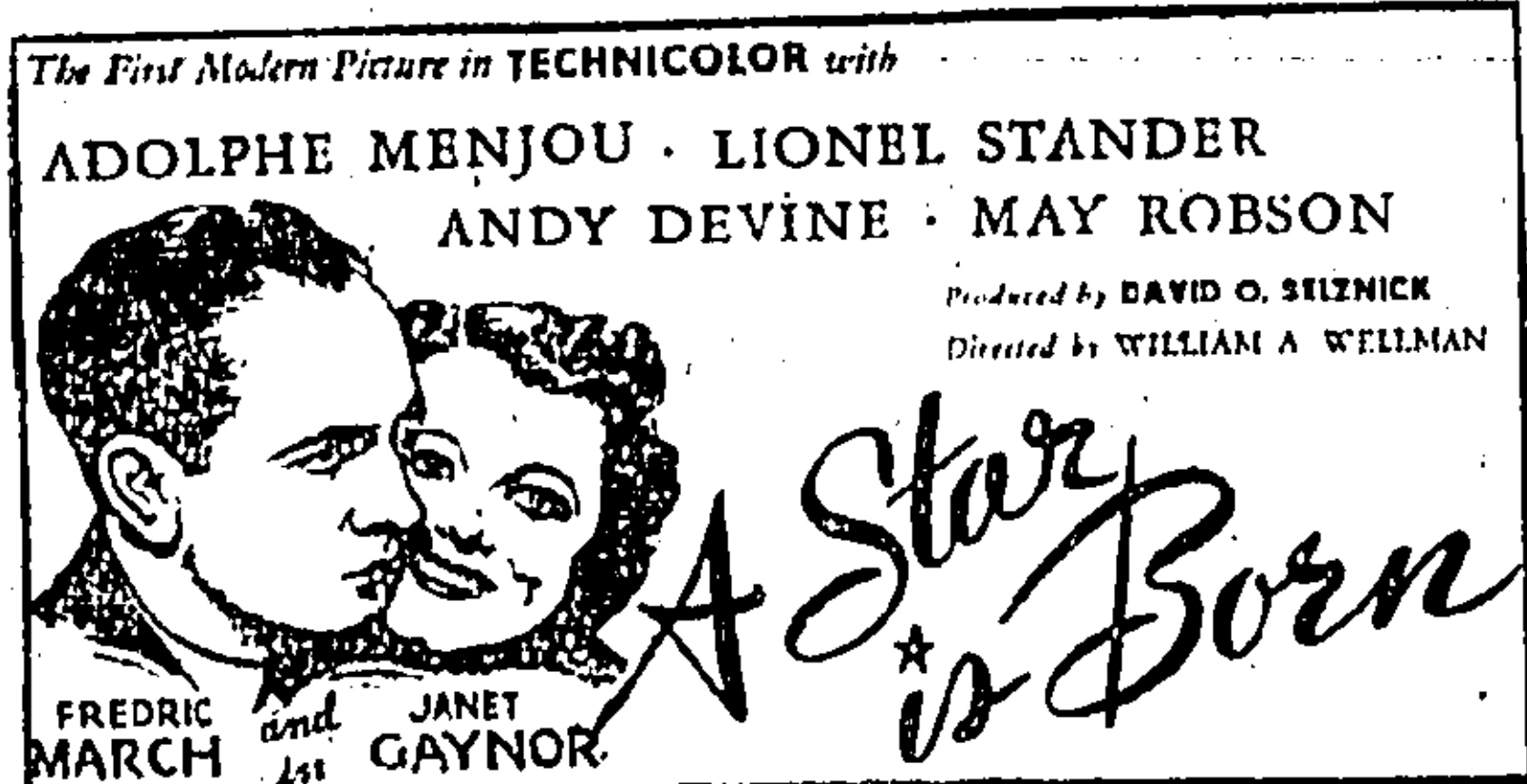
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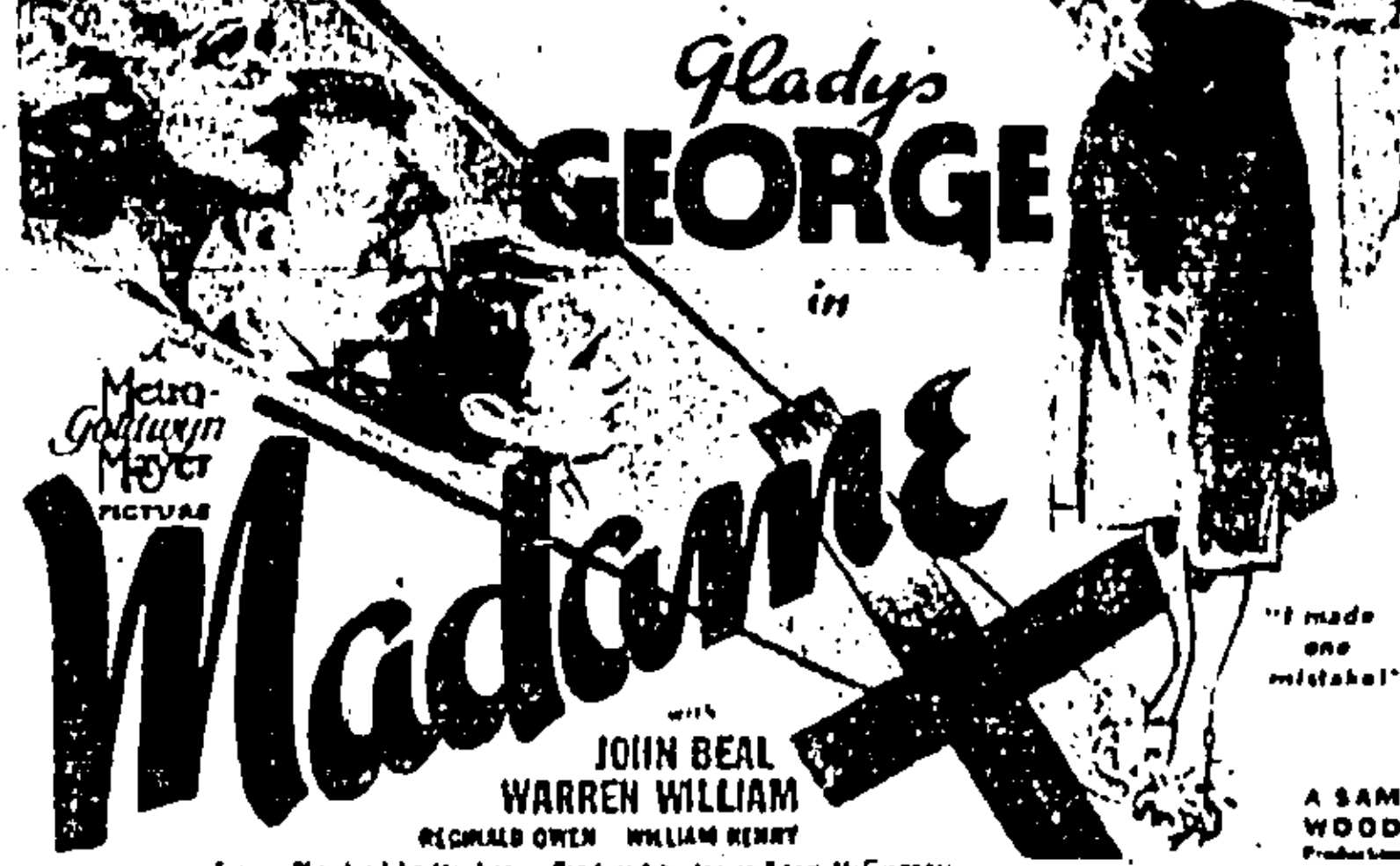
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London, Apr. 13.

Referring to the treaty undertakings existing between the United Kingdom and Portugal the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs Mr. R. A. Butler circulated with the official House of Commons report, in which such undertakings were contained in treaties concluded respectively in the years 1378, 1380, 1642, 1660, 1661 and 1703 which had further been reaffirmed by Article Three of the Treaty of January 22, 1815, the Declaration of October 14, 1899, and the arbitration agreements on November 10, 1904, and November 16, 1914.—British Wireless.

TRIED TO GET TOBACCO INTO STANLEY GAOL

Stopped and searched by Warden Webber when entering the main gates of Stanley Prison on his way to work early this morning, Li Man, a fillet employed by the gaol, was found to have a large slab of tobacco strapped around a leg. He was arrested and later appeared before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistrate's court, charged with introducing a prohibited article into the prison. Detective-Sergeant Souter said Li was arrested at 2.40 a.m. The man had been employed at the prison for a year, and received wages of \$30 per month, and free quarters. Defendant will lose his job.

BELITTLES CHINESE RESISTANCE

Japanese Commander Says Communists Losing Ground

But Evidence Conflicts

Taiyuan, Apr. 14. Lieut-General Shiyusan, Japanese commanding officer of the Central Shansi troops, interviewed at his headquarters, which is one of General Yen Hsi-shan's houses at Taiyuan, with its abandoned vases, curios and paintings decorating the room, stated that the Communists were losing headway in Shansi due to the innate miserliness of the Shansi people, and also owing to the Communists' conspicuous lack of successes recently. He claimed that the "bandits are much easier to catch and annihilate than in Manchuria because they are new to the game, and not so clever." He said that General Fu Tso-yl was remaining in the mountains in western Shansi, where General Yen Hsi-shan was also reported to have returned, after originally fleeing to Shensi. General Shiyusan said that General Yen was anxious to surrender, but General Fu was preventing him, although small groups of General Fu's men were deserting and surrendering to the Japanese. They were being made into policemen. He said that 80,000 Chinese civilians are now living at Taiyuan, where the population was formerly over 150,000. He stated that the line of communications to Tatung were safe. A Chinese employed by the Japanese military in Taiyuan stated that all territory north of Hsichow, which is 40 miles north of Taiyuan, is in the hands of the Reds, and General Fu Tso-yl, who were co-operating closely. He said that the Japanese dare not venture north of Hsichow unless they have a large convoy of 40 or 50 trucks. He also stated that there was renewed activity a week ago near Taoku, where the Japanese would not venture in small convoys. Foreign sources at Taiyuan amply confirm this report.

THE BLACK ARMY

Foreign and Chinese sources say that the areas between the Japanese garrison towns and the Chinese troops are harassed by bandits, as well as the "Black Army", consisting of desperate villagers, who paint their faces black, and scour the countryside at night, using red-hot poker to torture the farmers from whom they extract money.

It is understood that a large percentage of foreign hospitals have cases which consist of gunshot wounds and other injuries. More Japanese soldiers are in the streets than Chinese civilians, and less than half the shops are open, apparently doing about 10 per cent. of normal trade.

A score or more of General Yen Hsi-shan's factories at Taiyuan, including an arsenal and a new steel plant, have been occupied and labeled "Japanese Military Factory Number 80-and-so."

The battered gates and walls are littered with shell fragments and hundreds of half buried Chinese soldiers lie about, whose corpses are mute reminder of the stubborn defence they made, and the terrific artillery and aerial attack on Taiyuan five months ago.—United Press.

CREDIT EXPANSION INDICATED

Washington, Apr. 13. While Mr. Marriner S. Eccles told the House Banking Committee that de-stabilisation would be psychologically inflationary, Wall Street experts drew attention to the developments, pointing out that the release of inactive gold into the credit structure would increase the surplus banking reserves, thus exerting a renewed force for the expansion of credits.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS NEWS

SEVEN SMALLPOX CASES REPORTED

Only seven cases of smallpox were notified yesterday. Two were in Victoria, four in Kowloon and one in Shaukiwan. There were four cases of meningitis, three of measles and three of dysentery also reported.

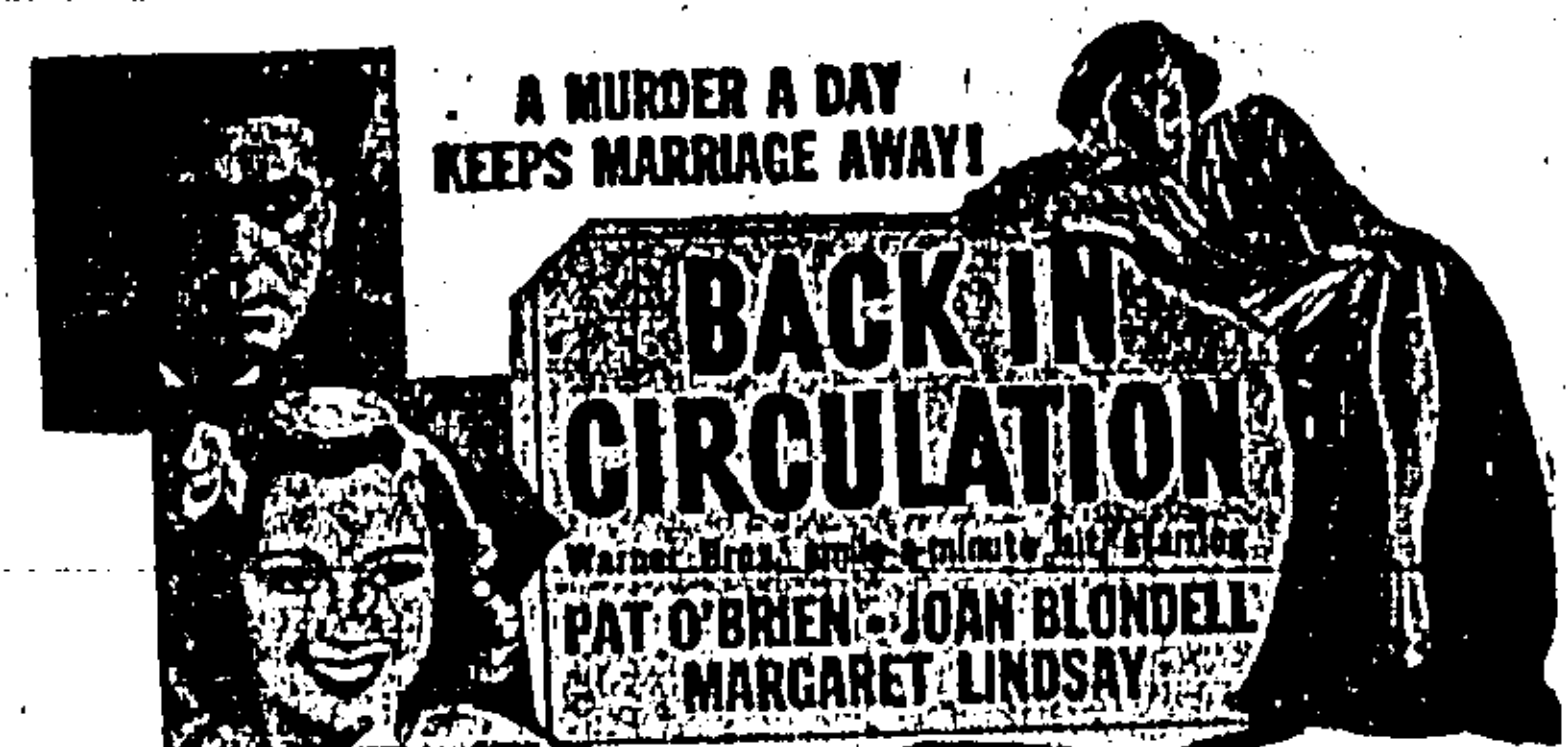
DARING SNATCHER GETS AWAY

David Charles Chou, 14, a student, reported to police to-day that at 8.10 a.m., while cycling down Hutton Road, he was pushed off his bicycle by a youth of about 20. This young robber then jumped on the rider and tore away his wrist watch, valued at \$70, and ran down Kowloon Road, towards Robinson Road. Chou gave chase and eventually caught the robber, but was unable to hold him.

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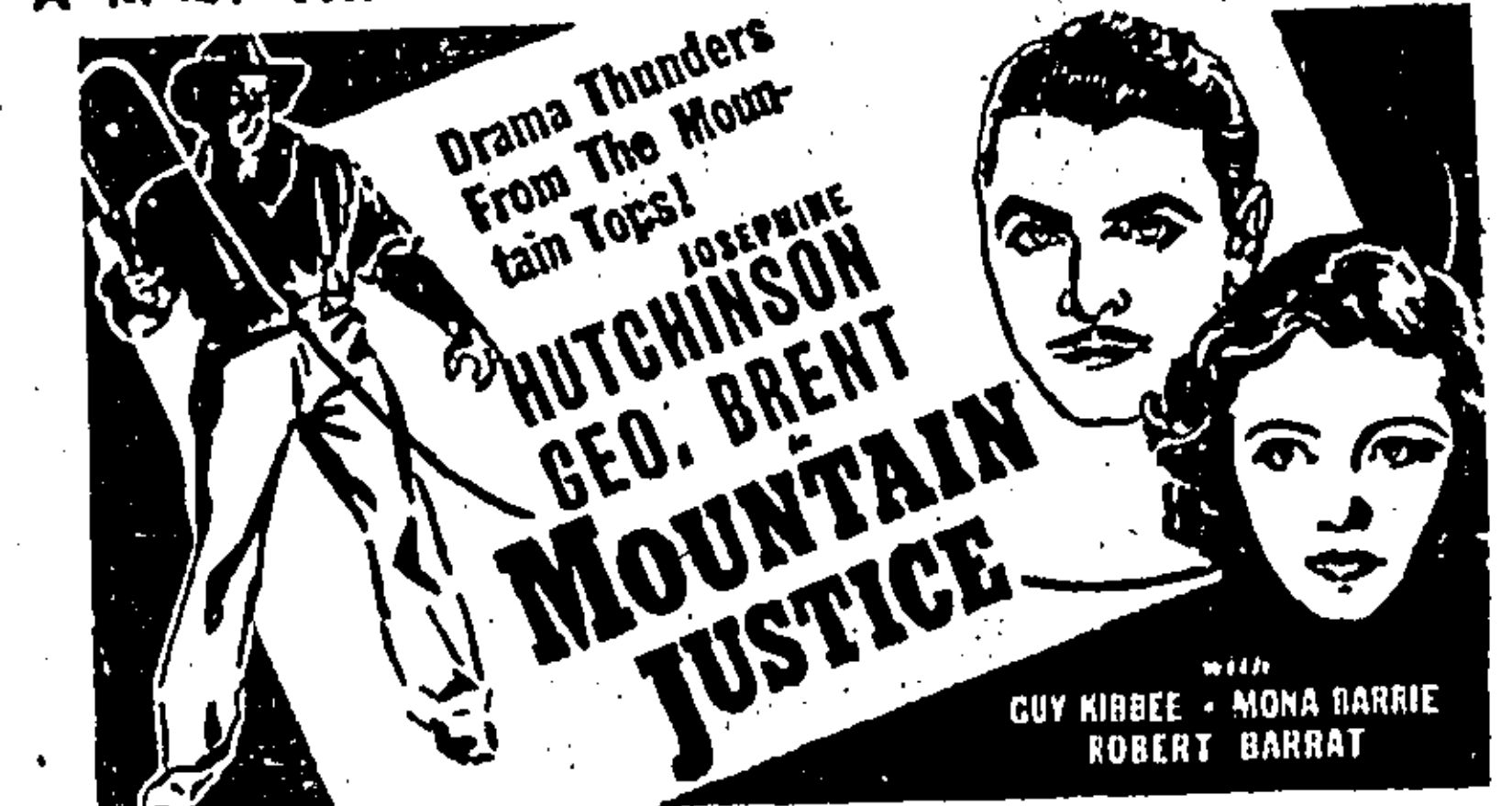


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